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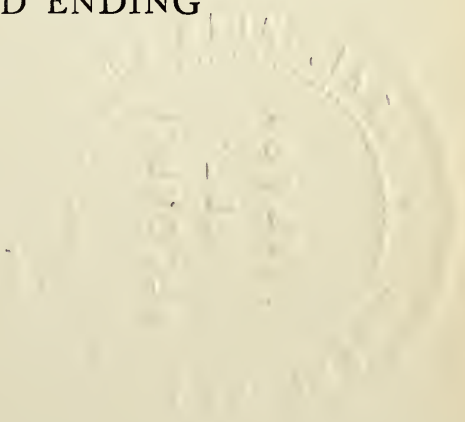
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OF THE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Board of Charities
and Correction

FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND COR-
RECTION, STATE HOUSE, CONCORD, N. H.

*To His Excellency, the Governor and the Honorable Council
and Legislature:*

In accordance with the provisions of section 8, chapter 108, of the Public Laws, the State Board of Charities and Correction has the honor to present herewith the biennial report for the period ending June 30, 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. TILTON, *Chairman.*

Attest,

WILLIAM J. AHERN,
Secretary.

STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION

OFFICE, STATE HOUSE, CONCORD, N. H.

MEMBERS

CHARLES E. TILTON	Tilton	Term expires July 9, 1931
HERBERT E. KENDALL	Nashua	Term expires July 9, 1930
REV. JOHN J. BROPHY	Franklin	Term expires July 9, 1928
IVA H. DREW	Colebrook	Term expires July 2, 1927
ANNIE B. SHEPARD	East Derry	Term expires Aug. 29, 1929
CHARLES DUNCAN, M. D., <i>ex officio</i> , <i>Secretary State Board of Health</i>		

OFFICERS, 1924-1926

CHARLES E. TILTON.....	Chairman
WILLIAM J. AHERN	Secretary

STANDING COMMITTEES

Almshouses.....	MR. KENDALL AND MRS. DREW
Jails, Reformatories, and Houses of Correction	MR. TILTON AND MRS. SHEPARD
Orphans' Homes.....	MRS. DREW AND FATHER BROPHY
Dependent Children.....	MRS. SHEPARD AND FATHER BROPHY
State Beneficiaries.....	FATHER BROPHY AND MR. KENDALL

VISITING COMMITTEES, COUNTY FARMS AND JAILS

Grafton, Carroll, Coos, and Sullivan.....	MRS. DREW
Belknap, Strafford, Merrimack, and Carroll.....	MR. KENDALL
Rockingham, Cheshire, Hillsborough, and Grafton....	MRS. SHEPARD
Hillsborough, Strafford, Rockingham, and Coos.....	MR. TILTON
Cheshire, Merrimack, Sullivan, and Belknap.....	FATHER BROPHY

List of Members of State Board of Charities and Correction from July 9, 1895, to June 30, 1926

Appointed	Name	Address	Term Expires	Remarks
July 9, 1895	Oliver J. M. Gilman.....	Alton.....	July 9, 1915	Resigned July 11, 1913.
July 9, 1895	Julia R. Carpenter.....	Concord.....	July 8, 1899	Declined reappointment.
July 9, 1895	John M. Mitchell.....	Concord.....	July 8, 1898	Resigned December 22, 1896.
July 9, 1895	Melusina H. Varick.....	Manchester.....	June 28, 1902	Resigned March 21, 1899.
July 9, 1895	George G. Davis.....	Marlboro.....	July 27, 1901	Resigned November 22, 1897.
Dec. 22, 1896	John Kivel.....	Dover.....	June 14, 1903	Appointed to fill out Mr. Mitchell's term. Resigned October 9, 1899.
Jan. 13, 1898	John M. Whipple.....	Claremont.....	July 27, 1901	Appointed to fill out Mr. Davis' term. Resigned March 21, 1899.
March 31, 1899	Ella L. Follansby.....	Exeter.....	July 2, 1912	Appointed to fill out Mrs. Varick's term. Died Sept. 22, 1907.
April 21, 1899	Edward J. Burnham.....	Manchester.....	July 29, 1901	Appointed to fill out J. M. Whipple's term. Resigned October 5, 1899.
Oct. 27, 1899	Lilian C. Streeter.....	Concord.....	Aug. 29, 1914	To succeed John R. Carpenter. Resigned May 2, 1911.
Oct. 27, 1899	James F. Brennan.....	Peterborough.....	July 9, 1918	To succeed John Kivel. Declined reappointment.
Nov. 22, 1900	Oliver E. Branch.....	Manchester.....	July 28, 1901	To succeed E. J. Burnham. Declined reappointment.
Aug. 28, 1901	Sherman E. Burroughs.....	Manchester.....	July 9, 1921	To succeed O. E. Branch. Resigned June, 1917.
Oct. 15, 1907	Kate Howard Brown.....	Whitefield.....	July 2, 1922	Appointed to fill out Mrs. Follansby's term. Resigned February 1, 1919.
May 17, 1911	Mary I. Wood.....	Portsmouth.....	Aug. 29, 1919	Appointed to fill out Mrs. Streeter's term.
July 11, 1913	Charles E. Tilton.....	Tilton.....	July 9, 1915	Appointed to fill out Mr. Gilman's term.
July 9, 1918	Rev. John J. Brophy.....	Franklin.....	July 9, 1928	To succeed Mr. Brennan.
July 9, 1915	Herbert E. Kendall.....	Nashua.....	July 9, 1930	To succeed C. E. Tilton.
June 15, 1917	Dr. Charles P. Bancroft.....	Concord.....	July 9, 1926	Appointed to fill out Mr. Burrough's term. Died December 14, 1923.
March 6, 1919	Iva H. Drew.....	Colebrook.....	July 2, 1927	Appointed to fill out Mrs. Brown's term.
Sept. 11, 1919	Annie B. Shepard.....	East Derry.....	Aug. 29, 1929	To succeed Mary I. Wood.
Dec. 27, 1923	Charles E. Tilton.....	Tilton.....	July 9, 1931	Appointed to fill out Dr. Bancroft's term.

Ex officio, by act of Legislature, 1897, Irving A. Watson, M. D., Secretary of State Board of Health and Commissioner of Lunacy. Died April 3, 1918. Succeeded by Dr. Charles Duncan. Appointed, 1918.

OFFICERS OF BOARD SINCE THE BEGINNING

CHAIRMEN

JOHN M. MITCHELL,	From July 27, 1895 to Dec. 22, 1896	LILIAN C. STREETER.	From May 30, 1901 to May 2, 1911
GEORGE G. DAVIS,	From Dec. 31, 1896 to Sept. 29, 1897	SHERMAN E. BURROUGHS,	From May 19, 1911 to June 3, 1917
JOHN KIVEL,	From Sept. 29, 1897 to Oct. 9, 1899	DR. CHARLES P. BANCROFT,	From June 29, 1917 to Dec. 14, 1923
EDWARD J. BURNHAM,	From Nov. 15, 1899 to Oct. 5, 1900	CHARLES E. TILTON,	From Jan. 11, 1924
JAMES F. BRENNAN,	From Nov. 21, 1900 to May 30, 1901		

SECRETARIES

JULIA R. CARPENTER,	From July 27, 1895 to March 9, 1896	LILIAN C. STREETER,	From Nov. 21, 1900, to May 30, 1901
OLIVER J. M. GILMAN,	From March 9, 1896 to Nov. 21, 1900	WILLIAM J. AHERN,	From June 15, 1901

STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND COR- RECTION TO THE LEGISLATURE

1. That provision be made for a parole officer at the State Industrial School.
2. That an addition be made to the Wilkins Cottage for Girls at the State Industrial School.
3. That an appropriation be made for the erection of a dormitory building at the Laconia State School within the biennial period, that the policy of segregating the feeble-minded population of the state may be continued.
4. That a building be erected at the State Hospital to provide suitable quarters for housing the attendants.
5. That the policy of the state in appropriating funds for indigent tubercular patients, especially those in advanced stages of the disease, be continued.
6. That the policy of special hospital treatment for indigent crippled children be continued and that funds be provided for the expense of the same.

LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF
CHARITIES AND CORRECTION
PUBLIC LAWS, 1925

CHAPTER 108

State Board of Charities and Correction

1. **How Constituted.** There shall be a state board of charities and correction, consisting of the secretary of the state board of health ex officio and five others, one of whom shall be appointed each year by the governor and council for a term of five years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

2. **Compensation; Expenses.** They shall serve without compensation, but shall be paid their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

3. —, **Advice, etc.** The secretary of the state board of health shall, when requested by the board of charities, give advice and perform service without additional compensation except expenses incurred.

4. **Secretary.** They may appoint a secretary from outside the board, who, under their direction, shall give his entire time to the duties of the office, act as visiting agent to placed-out children and supervisor of volunteer visitors and perform such other duties as may rightfully belong to his office.

5. —, **Salary.** The salary of the secretary shall be twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars a year.

6. **Assistants.** They may, with the approval of the governor and council, employ inspectors at salaries not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars a year, and such other agents as may be necessary properly to perform the duties imposed upon them by law.

7. **Supervisory Powers; Investigations.** They shall have general supervision of all neglected, delinquent or

defective children in the state, and see that such children receive suitable education, training and support. They shall assist in the enforcement of all laws for the protection of children and investigate charges that may be brought to their attention, and, if a crime has been committed, report to the county solicitor.

8. **Inspections; Reports.** They shall inspect all state and county charitable or correctional institutions and report to the governor and council and legislature biennially the result of their inspection, with a recommendation for such changes in existing laws as in their judgment the public good requires; and shall, in making such inspection, report and recommend to the county commissioners, or such other county or state officers as have the control and management of such institutions, the changes, if any, that they find on such inspection should be made therein.

CHAPTER 109

Support of Dependent Children

1. **At Almshouses Limited.** No minor between the ages of three and fifteen years, excepting such as are under serious physical disability or are mentally incapacitated for education, or are under sentence for crime, shall be supported at any county almshouse in the state, for more than sixty days, unless the consent of the board of charities shall have been obtained; and it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the various counties to find suitable homes for such minor children within said period of sixty days.

2. **Duty of Officials.** It shall be the duty of the overseers of the poor of the towns and cities liable for the support of such minors, and of county commissioners of counties so liable, to procure such minors support at some orphan asylum or home, or with some private family of good repute.

3. —, **Homes.** It shall be the duty of the overseers of the poor and county commissioners, as soon as practicable, to find permanent homes for all such orphan minors, and make contracts for their education and support during minority.

4. —, **Orphans' Homes.** The overseers of the poor in any town, or the county commissioners for any county, may send to any orphans' home in this state, or other institution devoted to or suitable for the care, protection and education of children, upon such terms as may be agreed upon, all children residing in their respective towns or counties who are not employed in some lawful business, and whose parents are unable or neglect to maintain them, and said home or institution shall thereupon have the same authority in respect to such children as overseers of the poor and county commissioners.

5. **Reports.** Overseers of the poor and county commissioners shall report to the state board of charities all minors cared for by them under this chapter, with copies of the contracts made, and such other information as may be required by such board, and all such contracts shall be subject to rescission by the state board of charities, whenever the interest of such minors shall make it necessary.

6. **Official Neglect.** Any overseer of the poor or county commissioner who shall unreasonably neglect to comply with the requirements of this chapter shall be removed from office by the superior court, upon the petition of the state board of charities, after notice and hearing.

7. **Power of Board of Charities.** After the expiration of said sixty days, if suitable homes have not been provided said minors, other than the county almshouses, the state board of charities shall have full control over said children, and shall be charged with the duty of procuring permanent homes for them, whenever it shall appear that their welfare will be promoted thereby, at

the expense of the county to which such minor is chargeable. The compensation for support therein shall be the same that is allowed by the county commissioners.

8. —, **Family Homes.** The state board of charities may procure suitable family homes, where practicable, for dependent and neglected children. Said board or its agent shall inspect such homes previous to such placing, maintain subsequent watch, care and supervision of such children, and may remove any such child from such home at any time when, in its judgment the conditions therein are not for the best interest of the child.

9. —, **Special Treatment.** Said board may, when in its judgment the health or condition of any such child shall require it, cause such child to be placed in a hospital or institution for special treatment and care.

10. **Expense.** The expense for the maintenance and care of any such child shall be borne by the county, city or town legally chargeable for its support if it were a public charge; provided, that such expense shall be first approved by the county commissioners, or overseers of the poor, and such county, city or town shall have a right of action over for such expense against the parents or guardian of such child.

11. **Notice of Placing.** It shall be the duty of any person, public official, society or institution, placing any dependent or neglected child in any family home, or institution, to give notice in writing to the state board of charities, within ten days after such placing, stating the name of such child and the name, residence or location of the person or institution with whom or in which such child is placed.

12. —, **Of Adoption.** If any child, born in any hospital, maternity home or other place, whether public or private, in this state, for the reception and care of women in labor or their children, and which shall not be claimed by its parents, shall be given out for adoption or

otherwise to any one by the manager of said place, written notice of such action shall, within five days therefrom, be given to the state board of charities by said manager, with the name of the child, the date and place of its birth, the names of its parents if known and the name and address of the person or institution into whose care the child has been given. •

13. —, **Inquiry.** The state board of charities shall have jurisdiction and authority to inquire into the matter, with power to revoke the action of said manager, and to dispose of such child in the manner provided in sections 8 to 10.

14. **Penalty.** If any person whose duty it shall be to give the notice provided for in sections 11 and 12 shall neglect or refuse to give the prescribed notice he shall be fined not more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.

15. **Adoption Proceedings.** The board may give any minor under their care to any suitable person, to be adopted by such person, whenever such adoption is for the best interests of said minor; providing, that it shall appear, upon a hearing upon the petition for adoption, that its parents have abandoned the child, or that they are unknown; and in such case notice of the proceedings may be given by publication, and no consent of the parents or others to the adoption shall be required.

CHAPTER 110
DEPENDENT AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN,
PROBATION OFFICERS AND JUVENILE
COURTS

Dependent and Delinquent Children

1. **Age.** This chapter shall apply only to children under the age of seventeen years.

2. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this chapter words have the following meaning:

I. Dependent child, any child who for any reason is destitute, homeless or abandoned, and dependent upon the public for support, or has not proper parental care or guardianship, or who habitually begs or receives alms, or who is found living in any house of ill-fame or with any vicious or disreputable persons, or whose home, by reason of neglect, cruelty or depravity on the part of its parents, guardians or other persons in whose care it may be is an unfit place for such child.

II. Delinquent child, any child under the age of seventeen years who violates any law of this state or any city or town ordinance, or who is incorrigible, or who knowingly associates with vicious or immoral persons, or is growing up in idleness or crime, or who knowingly patronizes any place where gambling is carried on or frequents a house of ill-fame.

III. Association shall include any corporation which includes in its purpose the care or disposition of children coming within the meaning of this chapter.

IV. Juvenile, any boy or girl under the age of seventeen years.

Jurisdiction of Courts and Process

3. **Original.** Municipal and justice courts shall have original jurisdiction in all cases coming within the terms of this chapter.

4. **Petition.** Any reputable person, having knowledge of a child who appears to be either dependent or delinquent, may file with the clerk of the court a petition in writing setting forth the facts, verified by affidavit.

5. **Notice.** Upon the filing of the petition a summons or notice shall issue requiring the person having custody or control of the child, or with whom the child may be, to appear with the child at a place and time stated in the summons or notice, which time shall not be less than twenty-four hours after service. The parents of the child, if living and their residence is known, or its legal guardian if one there be, or if there is neither parent nor guardian, or if their residence is not known, then some relative, if there be one and his residence is known, shall be notified of the proceedings, and in any case the judge may appoint some suitable person to act in behalf of the child.

6. **Contempt.** If the person summoned, as herein provided, shall fail without reasonable cause to appear and abide the order of the court, or to bring the child, he may be proceeded against as in case of contempt of court.

7. **Warrant.** In case a summons cannot be served or the party served fails to obey the same, and in any case where it shall be made to appear to the court that such summons or notice will be ineffectual, a warrant may issue on order of the court, either against the parent or guardian or the person having custody of the child or with whom the child may be, or against the child itself.

Disposition of Cases Against Children

8. **Hearing.** On the return of the summons, notice or other process or as soon thereafter as may be, the

court shall proceed to hear and dispose of the case in a summary manner.

9. **Custody.** Pending the final disposition of the case, the child may be retained in the possession of the person having charge of the same, or in the possession of the probation officer, or may be kept in some suitable place, provided by the city, county or state authorities.

10. **Committal of Dependents.** When any child under the age of seventeen years shall be found to be dependent within the meaning of this chapter the court may make an order committing the child to the care of the state board of charities, or to some society or association embracing in its objects the purpose of caring for or obtaining homes for dependent or neglected children, and which has been approved by said board.

11. —, **Maintenance.** The maintenance of such child shall be borne as provided in chapter 109, section 10.

12. **Guardianship; Adoption.** In any case where the court shall award a child to the care of any association or individual in accordance with the provisions of this chapter the child shall, unless otherwise ordered, become a ward and be subject to the guardianship of the association or individual to whose care it is committed. Such association or individual shall have authority to place such child in a family home, and may be made party to any proceeding for the legal adoption of the child, and may appear in any court where such proceedings are pending and assent to such adoption; and such assent shall be sufficient to authorize the court to enter the proper order or decree of adoption. Such guardianship shall not include any estate of the child.

13. **Committal of Delinquents; Parole.** In case of a delinquent child the court may continue the hearing from time to time, and may commit the child to the care or custody of a probation officer, and may allow said child to remain in its own home subject to the visitation

of the probation officer, such child to report to the probation officer as often as may be required, and subject to be returned to the court for further or other proceedings whenever such action may appear to be necessary; or the court may cause such child to be placed in a suitable family home, subject to the friendly supervision of a probation officer and the further order of the court; or it may authorize the child to be boarded out in some suitable family home, in case provision is made by voluntary contribution or otherwise for payment of the board of such child until a suitable provision is made for the child in a home without payment.

14. **Binding Over; Industrial School.** In case the court shall find that any child, brought before it for hearing for violation of any of the laws of this state, ought to be subjected to punishment therefor, the court may order the child to furnish sufficient sureties for his appearance at the next term of the superior court to be holden in the county wherein said child may be arraigned, and in default thereof the child may be committed to the state Industrial School, there to be kept until his case shall be disposed of by said superior court.

15. **No Committal to Jail.** No court shall commit a child under seventeen years of age to a jail or police station, but, if such child is unable to give bail, it may be committed to the care of a probation officer or kept in some suitable institution provided by the state, outside the enclosure of any jail or police station. No child shall be sentenced to confinement to any institution wherein adult convicts may be confined.

16. **Religious Preference.** The court in committing children, and officials placing children under chapter 109, shall place them as far as practicable in the care and custody of some individual holding the same religious belief as the parents of said child, or with some association which is controlled by persons of like religious faith. No child under the supervision of any state institution

shall be denied the free exercise of the religion of his parents, whether living or dead, nor the liberty of worshipping God according thereto.

Probation Officers

17. **Appointment.** The justice of each municipal court shall, and of any other court, may appoint one person to perform the duties of probation officer under the jurisdiction of said court. Each probation officer shall hold his office during the pleasure of the justice who makes the appointment.

18. **Powers.** A probation officer shall not be an active member of the regular police force, but shall in the execution of his official duties have all the powers of police officers.

19. **Inquiry.** Each probation officer shall inquire into the nature of every criminal case brought before the court under whose jurisdiction he acts.

20. **Probation.** He may recommend that any person convicted by said court may be placed upon probation, and the court may place any person so convicted in the care of said probation officer for such time and upon such conditions as may seem proper.

21. —, **Release.** Each person released upon probation as aforesaid shall be furnished by the probation officer with a written statement of the terms and conditions of his release.

22. **Records; Reports.** Each probation officer shall keep full records of all cases investigated by him, of all cases placed in his care by the court and of any other duties performed by him, and shall make a monthly report to the board of charities in such form as the board shall direct.

23.—, **Inspection.** The records of any probation officer may at all times be inspected by the chief of police of any town or city.

24. **Notice of Appointment.** The clerk of each court, or the justice thereof if there is no clerk, shall forthwith notify the state board of charities of the name of each probation officer appointed.

25. **Compensation.** The compensation of each probation officer shall be determined by the justice of the court under whose jurisdiction he acts, and shall be paid by the city or town wherein said court is established.

26. **Duties in Superior Court.** A probation officer shall, at the request of any justice of the superior court, investigate the case of any person on trial in that court and make a report of the same to the justice, and may, upon order of the court, take on probation any person convicted in said court. The compensation for such services shall be paid by the county upon vouchers approved by said justice.

Juvenile Courts

27. **Sessions for Children.** Courts shall designate suitable times for hearing the cases of juvenile offenders and dependent or delinquent children, which shall be called the session for children, for which a separate docket shall be kept. Said session shall be separate from that for the trial of criminal cases, and as far as practicable shall be held in rooms not used for such trials. No minor shall be allowed to be present at any such hearing unless his presence is necessary, either as a party or witness, or, in the opinion of the court, in the interests of justice.

28. **Publication.** It shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish the name or address, or any other particular information serving to identify any juvenile delinquent arrested, without the express permission of the court, and it shall be unlawful for any newspaper to publish any of the proceedings of any juvenile court.

29. **Records.** The court records of criminal proceedings with reference to juveniles in all courts in this

state shall be kept in separate books and files from all other court records.

30. —, **Sealed.** Neither the record of the arrest, trial or conviction of a juvenile offender, nor the fact of such arrest, trial or conviction, shall be admissible in evidence or in any way shown in any action or proceeding of a criminal or civil nature, except during the period for which said juvenile offender has been placed on probation by any court in the state, or within two years after the discharge of any such juvenile offender from any institution to which he may have been committed by any court in the state; and every such record of proceedings heretofore or hereafter entered or kept against any such juvenile shall become a sealed record and no longer accessible to any person, and shall remain in the custody of the court wherein the same is of record, after the expiration of the period for which said juvenile has been placed on probation by any court, or the expiration of two years after such discharge, as the case may be, unless it shall be made to appear to said court that, prior to the expiration of said period of probation or the expiration of two years after such discharge, such juvenile shall have been convicted of any offense under the laws of this or some other state.

Miscellaneous Provisions

31. **Limitation.** Nothing in this chapter shall repeal any portion of the criminal law of this state, nor in any manner abridge the powers of the superior court nor the right of appeal from judgments of municipal and justice courts.

32. **Interpretation.** This chapter shall be liberally construed to the end that its purpose may be carried out, to wit; that the care, custody and disposition of a child shall approximate as nearly as may be that which should be given by its parents, and that, in cases where it can properly be done, the child shall be placed in an approved

family home and become a member of the family by legal adoption or otherwise.

33. **Penalty.** Any officer who neglects to perform any of the duties imposed upon him by this chapter shall be fined two hundred dollars.

CHAPTER 290

Guardians of Minors in Certain Cases

Section 6. **Petitioners; Appointment.** The probate court in the county in which any minor is residing may, after reasonable notice to the parents, appoint a guardian for such minor, who shall have during the minority of his ward the full custody and control of said ward and his estate and earnings, upon petition of the mayor, overseer of the poor, or selectmen of the city or town in which the minor is residing, the county commissioners, the secretary of the state board of charities and correction or the New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, such petition setting forth that the parents of said minor, or other person having his custody, are unfit to have the custody and control of said minor and of his estate and earnings, or that his parents are living apart and the circumstances are such that the interests of such minor require that a guardian be appointed.

7. —, **Effect.** Any guardian so appointed shall continue to act as such from the date of his appointment until final judgment is rendered, setting aside the decree under which he is appointed.

8. **Removal.** He shall be liable to removal at any time, for cause shown, upon petition of either parent, or of any person who would be entitled to petition for the appointment of a guardian under the provisions hereof.

9. **Institutional Guardians.** Any home for orphans situated in and incorporated under the laws of this state,

or the secretary of the state board of charities and correction and his successors or the New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, may be appointed guardian of any minor.

10. **Apprenticeship; Adoption, etc.** Minors under guardianship under the provisions of section 6 may be bound as apprentices, or adopted, in accordance with the provisions relating to masters and apprentices and the adoption of children, their guardian consenting thereto; and in such cases the consent of the parents shall not be required. And such guardian may make contracts for the support of such minors at some home for orphans or with some family of good repute.

11. **Preference of Minor.** The consent of the minor shall not be necessary for the appointment of a guardian under section 6, or for his apprenticing or adoption; but the court shall in all cases ascertain his preference, and give to it such weight as under the circumstances may seem just.

12. **Order for Support.** Such appointment of a guardian shall not relieve the parents or other persons liable for the support of any minor from their obligations to provide therefor. And the probate court at the time of making such appointment, or at any time thereafter, may order and require such parents or other persons to contribute to the support and maintenance of such minor in such amounts and at such times as it determines are just and reasonable.

13. ———, **Remission.** The court may from time to time, upon application of either party, and notice, revise or alter such order, or make such new order or decree as the circumstances of the parents or the benefit of the minor may require.

14. **Election by Minor.** If the minor is above the age of fourteen years he may, though under guardianship previously, elect any person for his guardian, who, if suitable, shall be appointed by the judge, except as herein

otherwise provided. If after being cited by the judge he neglects to nominate the judge may appoint.

CHAPTER 379

Relating to Desertion or Abandonment of Minor Children

Section 2. **Desertion.** Any person who shall, without lawful excuse, desert or wilfully neglect or refuse to provide for the support and maintenance of his or her legitimate or illegitimate minor child under the age of sixteen years in destitute or necessitous circumstances shall be fined not more than three hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than fifteen months, or both.

3. —, **Of Infant.** If any person shall abandon an infant under four years of age, or, being its parent and having made a contract for its support, shall abscond or fail to perform said contract if of sufficient ability, or shall fail to visit or remove such infant or notify the proper authority of his inability to support it, he shall be imprisoned not more than two years.

4. —, **Aiding.** If any person knowingly and with wrongful intent shall aid or abet in the abandonment of such infant he shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than two years, or both.

CHAPTER 113

RECEIVING, BOARDING AND KEEPING INFANTS

Boarding Houses for Infants

1. **Defined.** Whoever for hire, gain or reward has in his custody or control, at one time, two or more infants under the age of three years unattended by a parent or a guardian, except infants related to him by blood or

marriage, for the purpose of providing them with care, food and lodging, shall be deemed to maintain a boarding house for infants.

2. **Licenses.** The state board of charities and correction may in its discretion grant licenses to maintain such boarding houses. Every application therefor shall first be approved by the board of health of the city or town in which such boarding house is to be maintained. Such license shall be granted for a term not exceeding one year; shall state the name of the licensee, the particular premises in which the business may be carried on, the number of infants which may be boarded there at one time, and any further restrictions or regulations which the state board of charities may deem necessary, and, if required by said board, it shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises. No greater number of infants shall be kept at one time on the premises than is authorized by the license, and no infant shall be kept in a building or place not designated therein.

3. —, **Record.** The state board of charities shall keep a record of licenses issued, and shall forthwith give notice to the board of health of the city or town in which the licensee resides of the granting of such license, of its terms and of any revocation thereof.

4. —, **Revocation.** The state board of charities may revoke such license in its discretion, and shall note such revocation upon the face of the record thereof. It shall give written notice of such revocation to the licensee by delivering the notice to him in person, or by leaving it on the licensed premises.

5. **Visitation.** The state board of charities and boards of health of cities and towns shall annually, and may at any time, visit and inspect, or designate a person to visit and inspect, premises so licensed. Such premises shall also be subject to visitation and inspection at any time by the solicitor of the county and the mayor, selectmen and police officers of the city or town.

6. **Licensee's Record.** Every such licensee shall keep a record, in a form to be prescribed by the state board of charities, of every infant received, the date of its reception, the name and address of the person from whom it was received, the date of its discharge and the name and address of the person to whom it was delivered on discharge, and any other facts which said board may direct.

7. **Notice of Death.** In case of the death of any such infant the licensee shall give notice thereof to said board within twenty-four hours thereafter, stating the date and cause of its death, the duration of its illness and the names and addresses of the attending physician and undertaker, and shall also enter said facts upon his record. Said record, together with all written contracts relative to such infants, shall be open to examination by any person authorized to inspect the licensed premises.

8. **Advertisement Prohibited.** No citizen of this state or other person subject to its jurisdiction shall print, publish, circulate or cause or procure to be printed, published or circulated in this state any advertisement of, or in any other manner publicly solicit within this state patronage for, any boarding house for infants located either within or without this state, nor print, publish, circulate or cause or procure to be printed, published or circulated without this state any advertisement of, or otherwise publicly solicit outside this state patronage for, any boarding house for infants located within this state, whether maintained by himself or others, except that any such institution duly licensed under this chapter may display a sign containing the name of the institution, but no other words or information.

9. **Penalty.** Whoever maintains a boarding house for infants unless licensed thereto, or violates the provisions of a license issued under this chapter, or knowingly makes any false entry or statement in connection

with any record, notice, information or report required by law, or knowingly gives false information to or otherwise attempts to deceive or mislead any one engaged in investigation or inspection under the authority hereof, or otherwise violates any provision of this chapter for whose infringement no penalty is specifically provided, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

10. **Cruelty; Notice.** If facts shall come to the attention of any physician, undertaker, officer authorized to issue burial permits or other person, indicating that any infant kept at a boarding house for infants is being cruelly treated, or that its life or health is endangered by lack of suitable nourishment, care, nursing or medical attendance, or that the death of any infant at such an institution may have been occasioned by such cruelty or neglect, such person shall forthwith, under penalty of a fine of ten dollars for each day's failure, give notice thereof to the state board of charities and to the county solicitor.

11. **Prosecution.** Upon receipt of such notice said board may, and said solicitor shall, immediately investigate the case, and it shall be the duty of the solicitor to cause the custodian of such infant to be prosecuted, if probable cause therefor appears.

Placing Out, Adoption, etc., of Infants

12. **Notice of Placing.** Whoever receives under his care or control, and whoever places under the care or control of another, for compensation, an infant under three years of age, which is not related by blood or marriage to the person receiving it, shall, within two days thereafter, give notice thereof, and of the terms upon which such infant was received, to the state board of charities, with the name, age and residence of the infant, its parents and the persons from whom and by whom it was received.

13. **Investigation.** The state board of charities may investigate such cases and make such recommendations as it deems expedient.

14. **Application to Court.** If such recommendations are not complied with, the board may apply to a justice of the superior court, or to a judge of probate, who, after notice to the parents of such infant or to the persons delivering and receiving it, may make and enforce appropriate orders for the care, custody, protection and maintenance of such infant, and on notice from time to time revise said orders.

15. **Penalty.** Whoever neglects to give the notice required by section 12, or refuses to give information upon request of said board, or to comply with the orders of a court made in accordance with the provisions of the preceding section, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

16. **Abandonment.** Whoever gives to any person an infant under three years of age, for the purpose of placing it for hire, gain or reward under the permanent control of another person, shall be guilty of the abandonment of such infant. Whoever so receives such an infant shall be guilty of aiding and abetting the abandonment. Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than two years.

17. **Receiving, Record of.** Whoever receives an infant under three years of age, for adoption, or for giving it a home, or for procuring a home or adoption for it, shall, before receiving the same, ascertain its name, age and birth place, and the name and residence of its parent or parents, and shall keep a record of the same and of the date of such reception.

18. —, **Notice.** He shall forthwith, upon the reception of said infant, give notice in writing thereof to the state board of charities, and, upon request of said

board, shall give information and render the reports required by it concerning such infant; and within two days after its discharge shall give notice in writing to said board of the discharge and disposal of such infant.

19. —, **Investigation.** Said board may investigate the case, and, at any time previous to a decree of adoption, take any such infant into its custody, if in the judgment of the board the public interest and the protection of the infant so require.

20. **Placing with Board.** The parents, surviving parent or guardian of an infant under three years of age, if unable to support it, may by an instrument in writing, and with the consent of the state board of charities, place such infant in charge of said board if it considers such action for the public interest; and said board may receive such infant, and shall thereupon have its custody to the extent of the provisions of chapter 109, section 15.

21. —, **Illegitimates.** The mother of an illegitimate infant under three years of age, who is a resident of this state and who has previously borne a good character, may, by an instrument in writing, signed by her, and with the consent of the state board of charities, give up such infant to the board for adoption; and the board, if it deems such action for the public interest, may, in its discretion and on such conditions as it may impose, receive such infant and provide therefor. Such surrender by the mother shall operate as a consent by her to any adoption subsequently approved by said board.

CHAPTER 114

The Regulation of Lying-in Hospitals

1. **Licenses.** The state board of charities and correction may issue a license for two years, subject to revocation by it, to any person whom it may deem suitable and responsible to establish or keep a lying-in hospital, hospital ward or other place for the reception,

care and treatment of women in labor, if the local board of health shall first certify to the board of charities that, from its inspection and examination of such place, the same is suitable for the purpose.

2. **Supervision.** The state board of charities shall have supervision of all such places, may make necessary rules for their regulation, and may designate its agents to visit and inspect the same. The said places shall also be subject to visitation and inspection at any time by the head of the police department or his authorized agent, the local board of health or the selectmen, and if, during the year, it receives more than six patients, by the state board of health or its authorized agent.

3. **Penalty.** Whoever establishes or keeps, or is concerned in establishing or keeping, within this state a place for the purpose mentioned in section 1, or is engaged in any such business, without such license, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than one year for the first offense, and for any subsequent offense shall be imprisoned not more than two years.

4. **Advertisement Prohibited.** No person shall print, publish or circulate, or cause to be printed, published or circulated, any advertisement of, nor in any other manner publicly solicit patronage for, any institution mentioned in section 1, whether maintained by himself or others, except that any such institution, duly licensed as aforesaid, may display a sign containing the name of the institution, but no other words of information.

CHAPTER 286

Relating to Marriage of Mental Defectives

Section 10. **Marriage.** No woman under the age of forty-five years, or man of any age,—except he marry a woman over the age of forty-five years,—either of

whom is epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiotic or insane, shall hereafter intermarry or marry any other person within this state.

11. **Solemnization.** No clergyman, or other officer authorized to solemnize marriages, shall perform a marriage ceremony prohibited by the preceding section.

12. **Certificate.** No town clerk or other authorized officer shall issue a certificate for such prohibited marriage.

13. **Application to State Board of Health.** Should any question arise as to whether an applicant for such certificate is so disqualified, the contracting parties shall apply to the state board of health which shall thereupon appoint some qualified person or persons to determine whether the contracting parties are epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiotic or insane, such determination to be certified under oath.

14. **Reports Required.** It shall be the duty of all superintendents of schools and of all who have charge of instruction in private schools or state schools annually in July to file with the state board of health the names of all epileptics, imbeciles, feeble-minded, idiotic and insane persons who have left school or have become fourteen years of age during the preceding year. It shall be the duty of the superintendents of the Laconia state school and of the New Hampshire state hospital to file with the state board of health the names of all such persons discharged or paroled from those institutions. The names thus reported shall not be made public except so far as is necessary for the public welfare.

15. **Applications Referred to State Board.** It shall be the duty of the town clerk or other authorized officer when application is made for a certificate for the marriage of any person born subsequent to June 1, 1909, suspected as being epileptic, imbecile, feeble-minded, idiotic or insane to cause the application to be forwarded for inspection to the state board of health. The state

board of health after investigation shall return the application to the town clerk or other authorized officer and if it finds that a certificate may not legally be granted it shall so notify the clerk and the applicants for the license.

16. **Penalty.** Any person who knowingly violates any of the provisions of this subdivision shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than thirty days or both.

CHAPTER 115

AID TO THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND

Powers of State Board of Charities and Correction

1. **Register.** The state board of charities and correction may prepare and maintain a register of the blind in the state, which shall describe their condition, cause of blindness, capacity for education and industrial training and such other data as the board may deem advisable.

2. **Industrial Aid.** The board may act as a bureau of information and industrial aid for the blind and for the deaf and dumb, and for this purpose may furnish materials and tools to any blind person, and may assist such blind persons as are engaged in home industries in marketing their products, in finding employment and in developing home industries for them; and may ameliorate the condition of the blind by devising means to facilitate the circulation of books, by promoting visits among the aged or helpless blind in their homes, and by such other methods as it may deem expedient; provided that the board shall not undertake the permanent support or maintenance of any blind person.

State Aid

3. **How Granted.*** Upon the recommendation of the state board of charities, assistance shall be furnished to such deaf and dumb or blind persons, in such amounts and at such asylums, schools or other institutions designed for the purpose, as the governor and council shall direct.

4. **Outside State.** The state board of charities may in their discretion contribute to the support of the blind persons from New Hampshire receiving instruction in industrial institutions outside of the state.

5. **Effect.** The furnishing of such assistance shall not affect the settlement of any person nor his right to vote.

6. **State Agent.** Said Board may appoint a state agent for the blind whose salary shall be fifteen hundred dollars a year.

7. **Assistants.** Said board may appoint such other officers and agents, other than members of the board, as may be necessary to assist in carrying into effect the purposes of this chapter, and may fix the compensation of such persons within the limits of the annual appropriation.

8. **Nesmith Fund.** There shall be appropriated annually thirty-seven hundred dollars, less the annual income derived from the Nesmith trust fund, to comply with the terms of the trust under the will of John Nesmith. And said thirty-seven hundred dollars shall be expended for the aid, support, maintenance and education of the indigent blind of the State of New Hampshire under the direction of the governor and council, as may be recommended from time to time by the state board of charities.

* Appropriation for education of Deaf, Dumb and Blind for 1925-1926, \$30,000
 Appropriation for education of Deaf, Dumb and Blind for 1926-1927, \$30,000
 Appropriation for work among Adult Blind for 1925-1926, \$11,300
 Appropriation for work among Adult Blind for 1926-1927, \$11,300

County Aid to the Blind

9. **Beneficiaries.** Any person who, by reason of loss of eyesight, is unable to provide himself with the necessities of life, who has not sufficient means of his own to maintain himself, and who, unless relieved as authorized herein, would become a charge upon the public or upon those not required by law to support him, shall be deemed a needy blind person.

10. —, **Residence.** In order to receive relief under these provisions, a needy blind person shall be a resident of the county for one year and of the state for five years.

11. **Applications.** At least ten days prior to action on any claim for relief hereunder, the person claiming shall file with the county commissioners a duly verified statement of the facts bringing him within these provisions. The list of claims shall be filed in the order of their reception in a book kept for that purpose, which record shall be open to the public.

12. **Certificates.** No certificate of qualification to draw money hereunder shall be granted until the applicant has filed a signed statement of at least two reputable residents of the county, one of whom shall be a registered physician, that they know the applicant to be blind and that he has the residential qualifications to entitle him to the relief asked, nor until the county commissioners are satisfied from such statement and upon such further examination as they may make that the claim is well founded.

13. **Relief.** If the county commissioners are satisfied that the applicant is entitled to relief hereunder they shall furnish aid to him in such sum as they find needed, not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars a year, to be paid from the county treasury, and such relief shall be in place of all other relief of a public nature.

14. **Operations; Treatment.** If the county commissioners in the examination of the qualification of any

person filing a claim for relief hereunder, or who may have been allowed such relief, shall determine upon the evidence of a registered physician and surgeon that the person might have such disability benefited or removed by proper surgical operation or medical treatment, and he files his consent in writing thereto, the county commissioners may expend for the purpose of such operation or treatment all or any portion of the relief which they might award to him for one year; and in such case they shall pay the sum so awarded to the persons entitled to compensation for such operation or treatment, instead of to the person entitled to relief.

15. Annual Examination. The county commissioners shall make examination annually as to qualifications of anyone receiving such aid, and increase or decrease the amount within the limits herein prescribed. If not satisfied that the person is qualified to receive aid, they shall remove such person from the list.

16. Modifications. The county commissioners may, at any time during the year, inquire into the qualifications, and examine as to the disability and needs of, any person theretofore placed on such list; and in case they find that he is not qualified to draw further relief, or that such disability has been removed in whole or in part, they may, at any time thereafter, during such year, modify or change the amount theretofore found necessary for relief, or remove such person from such list.

17. Perjury. Whoever, to secure for himself or another the benefit provided in this chapter for needy blind persons, makes a false statement shall be deemed guilty of perjury.

CHAPTER 41

Annual Reports of County Officers

1. Making; Publication. The sheriff, the jailer, the physician, the clerk of court, the solicitor, the treasurer, the county commissioners and the superintendent

of the county farm of each county shall make up their several reports to the close of December thirty-first, annually, and the same shall be printed together in pamphlet form in the month of January following.

2. Distribution. The county commissioners shall forward one copy of said pamphlet to the town clerk of each town in the county, to be placed on file, and twenty copies to the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall cause such copies to be suitably bound, and shall send one of the bound volumes to each board of county commissioners, and deposit the others in the state library.

3. Contents; Form. The reports of the several officers named in section 1 shall contain a summarized account of all their transactions which concern the county, for the current year ending as aforesaid, and shall be prepared, in a uniform manner alike in each county, so that accurate statistics can be compiled from them, to wit: Total cost of maintaining a county farm; total amount of outdoor relief given; number and list of paupers maintained at the farm; the number and list of feeble-minded, and the number and list of prisoners, together with the cost per capita a week at the county farms, computed by the same method in each county; number and list of people helped outside the farm and the towns in which they reside; and said county commissioners shall return such statistics to the state board of charities on or before July first in each year, on blanks furnished by the board.

CHAPTER 47

Annual Reports of the Overseers of the Poor

Section 20. Duties. Overseers of the poor shall keep full and accurate records of the paupers fully supported, the persons relieved and partially supported, and the travelers and vagrants lodged at the expense of their

respective towns, together with the amount paid by them for such support and relief, and shall make an annual return of the number of said persons supported and relieved, with the cost of such support and relief, to the state board of charities on or before July first in each year, on blanks furnished by said board.

CHAPTER 130

The State Sanatorium

Section 3. **Charges.** The charges for the support of patients in the sanatorium who are able to pay for their care and treatment shall be fixed by the trustees.

4. **Treatment of Indigent.** Persons in indigent circumstances and whose relatives legally chargeable with their support are unable to provide for such treatment, may be received for treatment at the expense of the state upon an order issued by the state board of charities, said order to be based upon satisfactory evidence to be kept on file in the office of the said board that the said patient is entitled to treatment under the provisions of this section.

5. **Part Payment.** In cases where the state board of charities finds that persons applying for treatment at the sanatorium, or those relatives chargeable with their support, are able to pay only a part of the weekly expense of maintenance at the institution, the said board may issue an order to admit such persons, and the state shall be holden for the amount necessary to make up the deficit.

6. **Rate; Effect of Aid.** When support is provided in whole or in part by the state, only the actual cost of maintenance shall be charged, and in no case shall any aid rendered any individual under the provisions of this chapter deprive him of any rights that he may have possessed at the time of his admission to the institution.

LAWS 1925, CHAPTER 263

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE TREATMENT OF
PERSONS AFFLICTED WITH TUBERCULO-
SIS, PARTICULARLY IN THE ADVANCED
STAGES, WITH SPECIAL PROVISIONS
FOR CHILDREN

**Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court convened:**

That for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, and who are unable to pay the cost of such treatment; and for the encouragement of the establishment and maintenance of sanatoria for the treatment of such persons, the state board of charities and correction be and hereby are authorized to engage free beds in such sanatoria or other places as have been approved by the state board of health for the treatment of such persons as the state board of charities and correction may specify. Indigent consumptives, residents of the state, who are unable to pay any part of the cost of said treatment, may be admitted to said free beds by the authority of the secretary of the state board of charities and correction in accordance with the ordinary regulations of said sanatoria. Persons in needy circumstances, who, by themselves, relatives or friends, are able to pay part of the cost of said treatment, may be so admitted when the state board of charities and correction so certify and stipulate the proportion the state shall assume to pay. This act shall not be construed so as to deprive any person to whom aid is rendered of any right that he may have at the time of his admission to said sanatorium. To pay the expenses of engaging said free beds and assisting persons in needy circumstances to treatment in said sanatoria, a sum not exceeding \$10,000* for each of the

* This is in addition to \$40,000 appropriated in the general budget bill for each of the fiscal years.

fiscal years ending June 30, 1926, and June 30, 1927, is hereby appropriated and such part of this sum as may be necessary may be expended for the education and treatment of children in such sanatoria. The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The joint resolution shall take effect July 1, 1925.

Note. Since 1919 an annual appropriation has been made for the medical and surgical treatment of indigent crippled and tuberculous children. Appropriation for 1925-1926, \$3,000, and for 1926-1927, \$3,000.

TABLE II
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**Expenses of the State Board of Charities and Correction
From July 1, 1924, to July 1, 1925**

Salary of Secretary	\$ 2,250.00
Clerical expenses	2,025.04
Incidentals	794.20
Traveling expenses	1,273.54
Printing blanks	150.29
Printing report	790.30
Education of deaf, dumb, and blind	22,833.92
Free beds for indigent tubercular patients and education of tubercular children	39,999.28
Adult Blind Department	
Register of the Blind	10,643.91
John Nesmith Fund	3,325.00
Child Welfare Department	6,999.49
Crippled and tuberculous children	2,988.73

From July 1, 1925, to July 1, 1926

Salary of Secretary	2,750.00
Clerical expenses	2,225.00
Incidentals	576.41
Traveling expenses	1,172.90
Printing blanks	83.97
Education of deaf, dumb, and blind	25,357.53
Free beds for indigent tubercular patients and education of tubercular children	48,727.78
Adult Blind Department	
Register of the Blind	10,133.95
John Nesmith Fund	3,450.00
Child Welfare Department	6,642.24
Crippled and tuberculous children	2,880.94

GENERAL REPORT



GENERAL REPORT

This report covers the period from July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1926, inclusive.

There have been no changes in the membership of the Board during the biennial period. Mr. Charles E. Tilton and Mr. Herbert E. Kendall, whose terms expired, were both reappointed for another term.

Mrs. Eva A. Reed, Child Welfare Agent, represented the Board at the National Conference of Social Work at Denver in June, 1925, and at Cleveland, in June, 1926.

The Board has held meetings bi-monthly, has attended meetings of the State Association of County Commissioners, and has made four trips of inspection to the various charitable and correctional institutions of the state. Visits to the institutions have also been made by the members individually. All institutions in which public charges are maintained are subject to the supervision of the Board.

The completion of an excellent new building at the State Hospital for the Insane has filled a long-felt want at that institution by relieving the extreme congestion in the wards for disturbed female patients. More room is needed for disturbed male patients, also better quarters for attendants. This situation could be met by the erection of an attendants' home, for the rooms now used by attendants could then be used for patients.

There is always the same report to make of the School for Feeble-minded Children, the name of which was changed by the last Legislature to Laconia State School. This institution is crowded and there is a waiting list of urgent applications. The establishment of a colony for boys on the Sanborn place has provided a little additional room for boys but a dormitory for girls is urgently needed. The long delay which is often

necessary before an applicant can be admitted is dangerous both for the individual and for the community. The last Legislature made an appropriation for the employment of a parole officer and efforts are made to place out on parole as many inmates as appear able to take care of themselves after a period of training, thus making room for others who should be in the School. The Legislature also made an appropriation for enlarging the school building and for constructing an addition to the service building to contain a cold storage plant, bakery, and employees' dining-room, all of which had long been needed.

Attention is called to the crowded condition of Wilkins Cottage, the girls' building at the State Industrial School, which makes additional quarters imperative. This institution should have a parole officer to supervise the children placed out on parole.

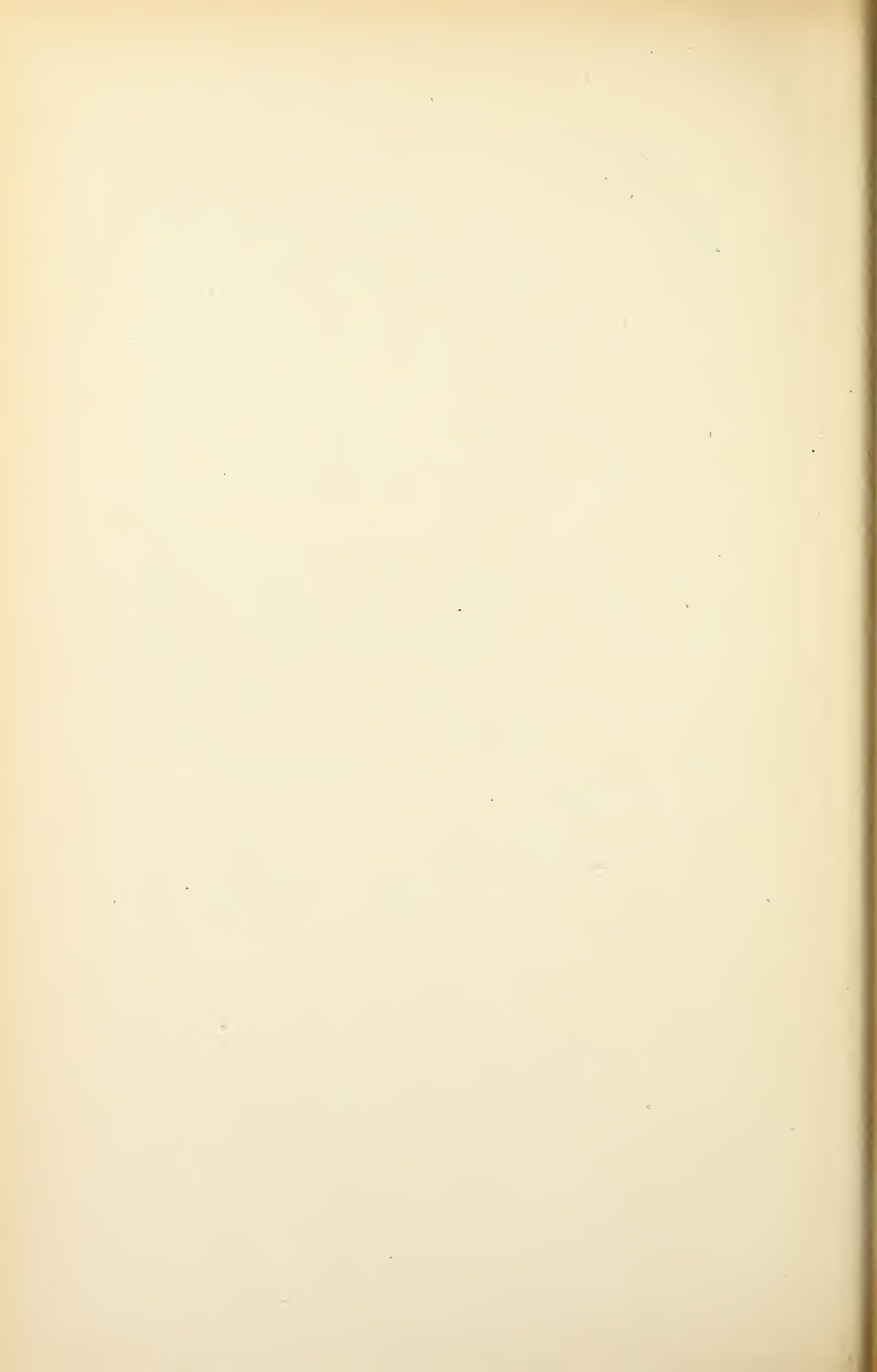
The Board has previously mentioned the advisability of having a Detention Home in which mildly delinquent girls could be placed for a period of training and discipline. Child Welfare workers are often confronted with the problem of placing a girl who is becoming delinquent through lack of proper home surroundings but who does not really need to be committed to the State Industrial School for the rest of her minority. If there were a Detention Home for such girls, it would not be necessary to make so many commitments to the Industrial School.

The Child Welfare Agents report that there is considerable misunderstanding on the part of local officials and townspeople in regard to the powers of this Board in child welfare work. The Board is authorized by law to find homes for dependent and neglected children but the expense for their maintenance must be borne by the town or county legally chargeable for their support. Many people seem to have the impression that children can be committed to the care of the State Board of Charities without any provision for their maintenance

but this is not so. The State makes no appropriation for the support of dependent children and, before such children can be placed by the Board, definite arrangements must be made for their support either with the town or county officials or with relatives. Efforts are made to find free homes for children but suitable free homes are not always available and many of the children who come into the care of the Board require institutional training and discipline before they are ready to fit into a family home. If local officials are unwilling to co-operate, it is often difficult for the Board to carry out its plans in a satisfactory manner.

The annual appropriation for the care of tubercular patients, especially in the advanced stages, in private sanatoria, which was increased by the Legislature of 1923 from \$35,000 to \$40,000 was again increased by the Legislature of 1925 to \$50,000. The amount is none too large, as the number of applications for treatment is constantly increasing. A teacher has been employed for the children at Pembroke Sanatorium since October, 1923, and the results have been very satisfactory.

More detailed information about the different lines of work in which the Board is interested will be found in other sections of this report. Attention is called to the tables in the appendix which give a statement of the amount of aid granted to the poor in the different towns of the state.



STATE INSTITUTIONS

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE HOSPITAL

The State Hospital is situated on the south side of Pleasant Street in Concord, and has extensive grounds. For some years, the wards for disturbed female patients were much over-crowded and the Governor and Legislature in 1923, realizing the urgency of the situation, provided for the erection of a first-class building for this class of patients, which is now completed and occupied. A similar condition has existed for some time in the wards for disturbed male patients and should be remedied. Another pressing need of the institution is a home for attendants, especially now that the increased number of patients necessitates a larger number of nurses and attendants. If such a building were erected, the rooms now occupied by attendants could be used for patients and, in this way, the congestion in the male wards could be relieved.

On June 30, 1925, there were 1514 patients in the institution—727 males and 787 females. The number of patients on June 30, 1926, was 1570—759 males and 811 females.

Dr. Charles H. Dolloff is the Superintendent.

LACONIA STATE SCHOOL

By act of the Legislature of 1925, the name of the New Hampshire School for Feeble-minded Children was changed to Laconia State School. This institution is pleasantly located two and one-half miles north of the Laconia railroad station and, at the present time, covers about fifteen hundred acres. It was opened in 1903 with 67 inmates and, as the demands for admission increased, new dormitories and other buildings were erected, so that the School can now provide for over 400. As stated in former reports, however, it is not large enough. Applications for admission are being received constantly

and vacancies do not occur as frequently as in other institutions, for many of the inmates would be a menace to the community if allowed at large. The Charles Sanborn place, consisting of a house, barn, shed, and one hundred acres of land, was bequeathed to the School in the will of Jacob Sanborn and is being utilized for a colony for boys, thus giving a little additional room for boys in the dormitories. The house has been remodeled and can accommodate eighteen boys. This colony was started April 1, 1926.

During the past two years, the school building has been remodeled and enlarged and is now in excellent condition. It contains eight large, well-lighted rooms, including regular school rooms, sewing room, industrial room, and manual-training shop. Metal stairways and fire-proof exits have been installed. Regular school sessions are held for the children who are capable of receiving instruction and training is also given in basketry, weaving, and similar industries. The girls receive domestic training and the boys work on the farm and in the manual-training shop.

A much needed addition to the service building has also been erected but the equipment has not yet been procured. The sub-basement contains a coal pocket and vegetable cellar while the basement contains a bakery and cold storage rooms. On the main floor is a dining-room for employees, also one for the officers and teachers. The kitchen has been enlarged and several cold pantries have been constructed. The dining-rooms for the inmates are in the original building. As now constructed, the service building will undoubtedly take care of the needs of the institution along these lines for some years to come.

The laws relating to this institution were revised and codified at the last session of the Legislature and the minimum age of admission was raised from three years to five years.

For a long time, it was felt that a parole officer was needed to place out and supervise some of the inmates who appeared capable of taking care of themselves in proper surroundings, thus making room at the School for cases in need of institutional care. The Superintendent carried on this work as far as his time would permit but the need of a full-time official for this purpose seemed urgent. An appropriation was finally secured from the Legislature of 1925 and Miss Herma C. Rowe was appointed parole officer, beginning her duties October 1, 1925. The Superintendent reports that her work is proving most beneficial.

The population of the School on June 30, 1925, was as follows: 197 males and 211 females in the School and 21 males and 34 females out on parole or visit. The population June 30, 1926, was as follows: 207 males and 213 females in the School and 22 males and 41 females on parole or visit.

Dr. Benjamin W. Baker is the Superintendent and Dr. Abby Little is the Assistant Physician.

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The State Industrial School for juvenile delinquents is located in Manchester and consists of two buildings for boys, one for girls, an isolation hospital, farm buildings, etc. When visited, the buildings were neat and orderly. As stated in a previous report, additional quarters for girls are badly needed, for the present building is much over-crowded and proper classification of the girls is impossible.

It is the aim of the School to give the children committed thereto a better understanding of the worth while things in life and to prepare them to be useful citizens of the community. In many cases, their delinquency is the result of unsuitable surroundings and can be overcome

by proper training and environment. In addition to the regular school studies, the girls are given excellent domestic training and the boys work on the farm.

A joint meeting of the Trustees of the different state institutions, the County Commissioners of the State, and the Board of Charities was held at the Industrial School in December, 1924, for the purpose of exchanging ideas and also to give these officials a better understanding of the work which the School is doing. The visitors were much impressed with the exhibit of the pupils' handwork.

It would be helpful to have a detention building in which girls could be placed for observation before being allowed to mingle with the others. There is an unused farmhouse on the School property which might be utilized for this purpose. Additional farm land is also desirable, so as to make the institution more nearly self-supporting.

The Board has often called attention to the need of a parole officer, who could give full time to the supervision of children paroled from the School. This work is now performed by the Superintendent and Matron, who cannot devote as much time to it as is necessary, because of other duties.

June 30, 1925, there were 110 boys and 52 girls in the School and 168 boys and 36 girls on parole. Of this number, there were 55 boys and 21 girls under 16 in the School and 8 boys and 1 girl on parole. June 30, 1926, the total population was 124 boys and 57 girls in the School and 173 boys and 30 girls on parole; number under 16, 58 boys and 20 girls in the School and 12 boys and 1 girl on parole.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. George have succeeded Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Backus as Superintendent and Matron.

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRISON

The State Prison is situated on North State Street in Concord. The men are employed by a chair manufacturing company, under the supervision of the prison officials, and the few women prisoners are employed at domestic work. The first-grade conduct men are permitted to have baseball and basketball games. Entertainments are given on holidays and the prison band furnishes music for Sunday services and gives occasional concerts. Many of the men attend a night school conducted by the Chaplain or take correspondence school courses, paying for the same from their earnings. There is a good library in charge of the Chaplain.

During the last two years, the walls and ceilings of the chapel and approaches have been improved and grille work has been installed in the corridors. The walls in the Warden's residence have been cleaned and painted, the work being done by one of the prisoners. The old iron bedsteads which were placed in the cells in 1880 have been replaced by modern beds.

There were 149 men and 6 women in the prison June 30, 1925, and 130 men and 5 women June 30, 1926.

Officers: Warden, Charles B. Clarke; Deputy Warden, Joseph Martin; Chaplains, Rev. W. S. Bassett, Rev. Dennis C. Ling; Parole Officer, Rev. W. S. Bassett; Physician, Dr. Edward J. Delaney.

NEW HAMPSHIRE SOLDIERS' HOME

The New Hampshire Soldiers' Home is situated in Tilton. The State makes an annual appropriation for its maintenance and the United States Government allows \$120 a year for each soldier in residence at the Home. The Legislature of 1925 appropriated \$25,000 for each of the two succeeding fiscal years.

There are two buildings, the main building containing the Commandant's residence, office, reception room,

and chapel-library, with sleeping quarters for the men in the wings. The other building is a hospital. A cement coal pocket which was very much needed has recently been installed.

The Home owns a small acreage of land, which supplies a part of the fruit, vegetables, and hay used.

Veterans of all wars in which the United States has engaged are received. The men may do light work around the place, if they wish, but this is not compulsory. Religious services are conducted by the Commandant, Rev. William H. Trickey, and by clergymen from Tilton and other places.

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE SANATORIUM

The State Sanatorium for Consumptives, located at Glenclyff in the town of Benton, can care for 104 patients. Besides the open-air wards, there is an infirmary with 53 beds, which was erected in 1922 and which was a much-needed addition to the institution. The Sanatorium is intended for the treatment of patients in the earlier stages of tuberculosis but it is not possible to hold strictly to this plan and there are always patients in need of hospital care, at least part of the time. During the past two years, the ordinary repairs necessary to the upkeep of an institution have been carried on, a garage has been erected, and a tunnel constructed to connect the different buildings. Porches have been added to the infirmary.

The Sanatorium has an Industrial Department and many of the patients have become interested in basketry, weaving, embroidery, etc.

Application for admission to the State Sanatorium should be made to the Superintendent, who determines whether a case is suitable for admission. If a patient is unable to pay the full amount for his care, he should then apply to the State Board of Charities for state aid and a

card will be issued, admitting him to the Sanatorium at whatever rate he can pay, free, if necessary.

There were 97 patients in the Sanatorium July 1, 1924, 73 were admitted during the year and 70 were discharged. The number remaining on June 30, 1925, was 100. From July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926, 58 patients were admitted and 73 were discharged. The number remaining on June 30, 1926, was 85.

Dr. Robert M. Deming is the Superintendent and Dr. H. E. Siske is the Assistant Physician.

TUBERCULAR PATIENTS IN ADVANCED STAGES

Besides maintaining the State Sanatorium at Glenclyff, the State for some years has made an annual appropriation for the treatment of tubercular patients, especially in the advanced stages of the disease, in approved private sanatoria. These patients are usually placed at Pembroke Sanatorium, a private institution located in the town of Pembroke, about three miles from Concord. Persons unable to pay for their care make application to the State Board of Charities and are admitted to the Sanatorium at whatever rate they can pay, the State paying the balance, or the full rate, if necessary. The Legislature of 1925 increased the annual appropriation from \$40,000 to \$50,000, which is none too large, as there is a constant waiting list of applicants. Many cases are coming to light through the clinics conducted by the New Hampshire Tuberculosis Association throughout the State and few of them are able to pay for long-continued care and treatment.

Pembroke Sanatorium has a number of open-air camps and a very good infirmary. An excellent children's ward has recently been added to the infirmary.

Miss Anna McDerby is Superintendent, and the Physicians are Dr. Robert B. Kerr and Dr. B. L. Freeman.

PEMBROKE SANATORIUM SCHOOL

The Legislature of 1923 made provision that part of the appropriation for tubercular patients should be used for the education of tubercular children. A school for the children at Pembroke Sanatorium was opened at the institution October 15, 1923, with Mrs. Genevieve W. Bonner of Concord as teacher. On account of the increase in the number of children at the Sanatorium since the opening of the new children's ward, it has been necessary to enlarge the school building. Books, blackboards, and supplies of various kinds have been received from other institutions and private individuals have also been very generous.

Mrs. Bonner's report for the two years follows:

REPORT OF PEMBROKE SANATORIUM
SCHOOL

For 1924-1925

Pembroke Sanatorium School opened September 8, 1924,
and closed June 19, 1925.

Number of weeks of school... 38

Per cent of attendance 97%

Whole number of pupils registered during the school year 15 (5 boys and 10 girls)

Classification of pupils

Grade 1	2
2	2
3	2
4	1
5	3
7	1
8	4

Total 15

For 1925-1926

The school opened September 9, 1925, and closed June 25, 1926.

Number of weeks of school...	39
Per cent of attendance	96%
Whole number of pupils registered during the school year	27 (9 boys and 18 girls)
Classification of pupils	
Grade 1	3
2	4
3	4
4	8
5	2
6	3
8	3
—	
Total	27

The State Program of Study was followed as closely as possible. It is the earnest desire of every patriotic citizen of New Hampshire that this school in Pembroke shall be a good school, furnishing an opportunity to each boy and girl to obtain a good and wholesome education.

The school plant is sanitary, healthful, and pleasant, with comfortable heating and ventilating arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,

GENEVIEVE W. BONNER,
Teacher.

REPORT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PATIENTS TREATED AT PEMBROKE SANATORIUM

July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1925

Number of patients in residence July 1, 1924.....	49
Number of patients admitted July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1925	70
Number of patients discharged July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1925	82
Number of patients in residence June 30, 1925....	37
Total number of patients treated.....	119

Sex

Males	50
Females	69

Ages

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Under 16 years	0	0	22	22
16 to 20 years	2	6	0	8
20 to 30 years	9	24	0	33
30 to 40 years	10	20	0	30
40 to 50 years	9	5	0	14
50 to 60 years	7	0	0	7
60 to 70 years	3	0	0	3
Over 70 years	1	1	0	2
	—	—	—	—
	41	56	22	119

Civil Condition

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Single	14	21	22	57
Married	21	32	0	53
Widowed	5	3	0	8
Divorced	1	0	0	1
	—	—	—	—
	41	56	22	119

Nativity

	Men	Women	Children	Total
United States	22	41	21	84
Albania	0	1	0	1
Canada	7	7	1	15
Finland	1	1	0	2
Greece	1	2	0	3
Ireland	1	2	0	3
Italy	1	1	0	2
Lithuania	1	0	0	1
Nova Scotia	2	0	0	2
Poland	0	1	0	1
Prince Edward Island	1	0	0	1
Russia	3	0	0	3
Scotland	1	0	0	1
	—	—	—	—
	41	56	22	119

Countries represented	13
Native born	84
Foreign born	35

Of those born in the United States:

48 were natives of New Hampshire
 12 were natives of Massachusetts
 8 were natives of New York
 4 were natives of Maine
 3 were natives of Pennsylvania
 3 were natives of Vermont
 2 were natives of Michigan
 2 were natives of Kansas
 1 was a native of Nebraska
 1 was a native of Connecticut

Former Residence

Ashland	1	Lebanon	2
Bedford	1	Loudon	1
Bennington	1	Manchester	30
Berlin	4	Meredith	1
Center Ossipee	2	Milford	2
Claremont	3	Milton Mills	1
Concord	14	Nashua	12
Derry	2	Newmarket	1
Dover	2	Newport	3
Enfield	1	Plymouth	1
Exeter	1	Portsmouth	5
Franklin	1	Rochester	2
Gilford	1	Salmon Falls	1
Grafton	1	Sanbornville	1
Henniker	1	Suncook	2
Hollis	1	Surry	1
Keene	6	Troy	3
Laconia	3	Wolfeboro	1
Langdon	3		

Former Occupations

Brakeman R. R.	1	Machinist	4
Chair Maker	1	Mill Operative	13
Clerk—Office	2	Motorman	1
—Retail	3	Nurse	2
Cook	2	Nurse Maid	1
Dressmaker	1	Pottery Worker	1
Engineer—Locomo. .	1	Painter	1
Farmer	1	Printer	2
Farm Work	2	School Child	22
Fireman	1	Shoe Worker	9
Housewife	22	Steam Fitter	1
Housework	8	Stenographer	1
Janitor	2	Student	1
Jewelry Worker	1	Teamster	2
Laborer	1	Traveling Salesman..	1
Leather Belt Work...	1	Waitress	1
Log Driver	1	Wood Worker	1
Lumberman	1	No Occupation	3

Classification According to Stage of Disease on Admission

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Suspicious	0	2	0	2
Incipient	0	1	9	10
Moderately advanced	4	5	8	17
Far advanced	37	48	5	90
Acute Miliary	0	0	0	0
	—	—	—	—
	41	56	22	119

Discharged Cases

Result of treatment classified	72
Result of treatment not classified	10
(In residence less than one month)	

Summary of Results at Discharge

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Arrested	0	0	1	1
Apparently arrested	0	1	1	2
Quiescent	0	0	0	0
Improved	9	22	5	36
Unimproved	2	5	0	7
Died	14	11	1	26
Not considered	3	6	1	10
	—	—	—	—
	28	45	9	82

Complications at Discharge

Atrophic Rhinitis	1
Bronchial Asthma	2
Glandular Tuberculosis	7
Hemoptysis	15
Hip Joint Disease	2
Pott's Disease	1
Tuberculous Enteritis	13
Tuberculous Laryngitis	14
Tuberculous Meningitis	1
Valvular Disease of Heart	7

REPORT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PATIENTS TREATED AT PEMBROKE SANATORIUM

July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926

Number of patients in residence July 1, 1925	37
Number of patients admitted July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926	106
Number of patients discharged July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926	76
Number of patients in residence June 30, 1926	67
Total number of patients treated	143

Sex

Males	68
Females	75

Ages

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Under 16 years	0	0	36	36
16 to 20 years	2	7	0	9
20 to 30 years	16	25	0	41
30 to 40 years	12	14	0	26
40 to 50 years	10	3	0	13
50 to 60 years	12	3	0	15
60 to 70 years	1	0	0	1
Over 70 years	1	1	0	2
	—	—	—	—
	54	53	36	143

Civil Conditions

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Single	23	28	36	87
Married	27	22	0	49
Widowed	3	3	0	6
Divorced	1	0	0	1
	—	—	—	—
	54	53	36	143

Nativity

	Men	Women	Children	Total
United States	30	31	31	92
Albania	0	3	0	3
Canada	11	11	4	26
Finland	1	0	0	1
Germany	1	0	0	1
Ireland	2	4	0	6
Italy	1	0	1	2
Lithuania	1	1	0	2
New Brunswick	0	1	0	1
Nova Scotia	1	1	0	2
Poland	3	1	0	4
Russia	1	0	0	1
Sweden	2	0	0	2
	—	—	—	—
	54	53	36	143

Countries represented	13
Native born	92
Foreign born	51

Of those born in the United State:

- 59 were natives of New Hampshire
- 14 were natives of Massachusetts
- 5 were natives of Vermont
- 4 were natives of Maine
- 3 were natives of New York
- 2 were natives of Michigan
- 1 was a native of Connecticut
- 1 was a native of Ohio
- 1 was a native of Pennsylvania
- 1 was a native of Virginia
- 1 was a native of Wisconsin

Former Residence

Ashland	1	Meredith	3
Berlin	5	Milford	2
Center Ossipee	1	Nashua	21
Claremont	5	New Hampton	1
Concord	8	Newington	1
Danville	1	Newmarket	4
Dover	4	Newport	2
Enfield	1	Peterboro	1
Franklin	1	Plymouth	1
Gilford	1	Portsmouth	8
Grafton	1	Rochester	1
Hanover	1	Salmon Falls	3
Hooksett	1	Sanbornville	1
Hollis	1	Suncook	3
Keene	3	Swanzy	1
Laconia	3	Tilton	3
Lebanon	2	Troy	1
Londonderry	1	Union	1
Manchester	39	Wolfeboro	2
Marlboro	3		

Former Occupation

Barber	1	Mill Operative	21
Brakeman R. R.	1	Motorman	1
Carpenter	2	Needle Worker	1
Chef	1	Nurse	2
Clerk—Office	6	Painter	1
—Retail	3	Printer	1
Druggist	1	Sailor U. S. Navy ...	1
Electrician	1	School Child	32
Farmer	1	Shoe Maker	8
Foundry Worker	1	Steam Fitter	1
Housewife	18	Stenographer	1
Housework	11	Stone Cutter	2
Laborer	2	Student	2
Leather Worker	2	Telephone Operator..	1
Log Driver	1	Tin Worker	2
Lumberman	1	Traveling Salesman..	1
Machinist	4	Wood Worker	2
Milliner	1	No Occupation	5

Classification According to Stage of Disease on Admission

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Suspicious	1	0	0	1
Incipient	0	0	9	9
Moderately advanced	3	6	16	25
Far advanced	50	47	11	108
	—	—	—	—
	54	53	36	143

Discharged Cases

Result of treatment classified	68
Result of treatment not classified	8
(In residence less than one month)	

Summary of Results at Discharge

	Men	Women	Children	Total
Arrested	1	0	1	2
Apparently arrested	0	1	2	3
Improved	8	11	5	24
Unimproved	5	7	1	13
Died	15	8	3	26
Not considered	6	1	1	8
	—	—	—	—
	35	28	13	76

Complications at Discharge

Bronchial Asthma	4
Glandular Tuberculosis	9
General Oedema	1
Hemoptysis	15
Hernia	1
Hip Jo'nt Disease	1
Pott's Disease	2
Tuberculous Arthritis	1
Tuberculous Enteritis	10
Tuberculous Laryngitis	18
Valvular Disease of Heart	7

COUNTY INSTITUTIONS

TABLE

Statistical Table of Almshouse Population of

COUNTIES	Population of Counties				Number in Almshouses June 30, 1925			Total number during year	AGE OF MALES							AGE OF FEMALES							NA-				
					Male	Female	Total		3 years and under	4 to 15 inclusive	16 to 20 inclusive	21 to 60 inclusive	61 and over	Age not given	Total number of males	3 years and under	4 to 15 inclusive	16 to 20 inclusive	21 to 60 inclusive	61 and over	Age not given	Total number of females	United States	Canada	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Prince Edward Island
Rockingham..	52,498	33	20	58	144	4	13	2	24	57	..	100	2	9	1	14	18	..	44	118	15	1	..	..	
Strafford	38,546	62	24	86	145	3	6	..	38	61	1	109	..	3	1	9	23	..	36	90	27	..	1	..			
Belknap	21,178	22	13	35	50	1	..	..	7	28	..	36	..	..	1	8	5	..	14	24	5	..	..	..
Carroll	15,017	28	11	39	54	3	4	..	15	15	..	37	..	2	1	8	6	..	17	49	1	..	..	..
Merrimack....	51,770	59	45	104	142	3	5	1	8	43	27	87	4	1	..	19	30	1	55	110	13	3	..	..	
Hillsborough*	135,512	203	108	316	828	59	53	7	230	174	3	526	31	46	22	126	70	7	302	518	129	2	1	1			
Cheshire	30,975	32	22	54	74	1	2	..	9	29	1	42	2	1	3	12	13	1	32	56	2	1	1	..			
Sullivan	20,922	23	17	40	58	..	1	..	9	25	..	35	3	1	1	10	8	..	23	47	4	1	..	..	
Grafton.....	40,572	42	36	78	132	2	5	2	30	39	..	78	5	5	4	20	19	1	54	102	14	1	1	..			
Coos.....	36,093	43	21	64	88	3	7	..	14	35	..	59	1	6	1	13	8	..	29	65	15	..	..	..
Total.....	443,083	557	317	874	1,715	79	96	12	384	506	32	1,109	48	74	35	239	200	10	606	1,179	225	9	4	1			

* Nativity, 1 each in France, Hungary, Albania, Turkey.

III

the State for year ending June 30, 1925

TIVITY																			REASONS FOR AID										Net expenses of county farms Jan. 1, 1924, to Jan. 1, 1925	Cost per capita per week	
England	Ireland	Scotland	Wales	Italy	Greece	Germany	Austria	Norway	Sweden	Holland	Belgium	Russia	Poland	Lithuania	Finland	Portugal	Australia	Nativity not given	Old age and physical disability	Insane	Feeble minded	Epileptic	Blind	Deaf	Crippled	Intemperate	Infants under 6 years	Out of work temporarily			Other causes
2	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	77	5	25	4	3	1	2	..	11	..	16	\$28,473.61	\$6.60
4	12	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	8	71	1	8	..	4	7	7	..	6	..	41	26,627.12	4.21
2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	32	..	13	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	10,314.03	6.84
1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	21	2	7	..	3	..	..	..	5	..	16	10,995.25	6.12
4	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	108	..	15	1	4	..	..	..	10	..	4	26,039.95	4.80
20	58	6	..	6	10	4	2	..	2	2	2	5	12	2	7	..	..	35	582	41	55	3	6	..	..	2	137	..	2	99,727.31	5.04
..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	42	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	28	22,993.48	6.33
..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	25	7	17	4	1	..	..	..	4	..	....	10,943.03	5.05
1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	11	70	2	35	1	2	4	..	..	8	..	10	27,576.44	5.85
1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	53	2	13	1	1	2	..	..	4	..	12	19,816.33	4.76
35	88	9	1	6	10	6	3	3	4	2	2	7	12	2	7	2	2	92	1,081	60	188	14	27	14	9	2	189	..	131	\$283,506.55	

TABLE

Statistical Table of Almshouse Population of

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Rockingham..	52,498	43	20	63	129	3	14	2	25	51	..	95	6	5	..	8	15	..	34	106	10	2
Strafford.....	38,546	49	19	68	147	2	2	..	34	72	..	110	1	4	1	10	21	..	37	104	19	..	1	..
Belknap†.....	21,178	14	13	27	46	6	24	2	32	6	4	4	14	34	3
Carroll	15,017	20	11	31	58	2	5	..	15	13	..	35	3	6	1	7	6	..	23	51	3
Merrimack....	51,770	68	47	115	177	7	8	1	21	69	..	106	4	10	1	20	34	2	71	141	13	2
Hillsborough *	135,512	215	112	327	897	48	45	10	264	212	2	581	27	47	29	141	70	2	316	515	147	4	2	1
Cheshire	30,975	38	21	59	100	5	13	41	3	62	2	4	3	15	13	1	38	73	2	1	1	..
Sullivan†.....	20,922	25	16	41	72	1	2	1	13	27	..	44	2	5	1	11	9	..	28	54	9
Grafton 	40,572	39	35	74	135	1	4	1	30	49	..	85	1	2	2	25	20	..	50	105	14	2	..	1
Coos.....	36,093	44	22	66	97	3	8	..	26	30	..	67	4	7	2	12	5	..	30	68	19
Total	443,083	555	316	871	1,858	72	88	15	447	588	7	1,217	50	90	40	255	197	9	641	1,251	239	11	4	2

† Nativity, 1 in France. * Nativity, 1 each in Newfoundland, Azores, Syria.

† Nativity, 1 each in Newfoundland, Australia, Barbados. || Nativity, 1 in Portugal.

IV

the State for year ending June 30, 1926

TIVITY																			REASONS FOR AID										Net expenses of county farms Jan. 1, 1925, to Jan. 1, 1926		Cost per capita per week
England	Ireland	Scotland	Wales	Italy	Greece	Germany	Austria	Norway	Sweden	Holland	Belgium	Russia	Poland	Lithuania	Finland	Turkey	Siberia	Nativity not given	Old age and physical disability	Insane	Feeble minded	Epileptic	Blind	Deaf	Crippled	Intemperate	Infants under 6 years	Out of work temporarily	Other causes		
2	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	78	2	15	3	3	1	..	..	14	..	13	\$28,942.79	\$7.05
4	13	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	76	6	9	..	4	6	8	..	7	..	31	22,676.32	4.8
1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	34	..	7	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	7,419.40	4.06
1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	13	1	11	..	5	..	..	..	8	..	15	9,740.60	6.01
10	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	112	6	20	3	5	..	..	..	20	..	11	25,627.05	4.86
23	73	7	..	6	13	9	3	..	6	2	2	7	21	2	7	2	..	42	681	73	15	2	8	..	2	..	115	..	1	102,095.40	5.11
4	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	56	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	36	23,635.85	5.85
2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	39	1	13	3	2	4	..	1	6	..	3	14,679.82	6.17
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	82	4	35	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	8	21,007.25	4.70
..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	37	4	14	1	1	4	1	..	10	..	25	20,733.77	5.00
48	102	11	1	8	13	9	4	2	6	2	2	10	21	2	7	2	1	92	1,213	97	139	14	34	15	11	1	189	2	143	\$276,558.25	

ALMSHOUSES

No new buildings have been erected at any of the County Farms during the past two years but several buildings have been entirely remodeled, including the barn at Merrimack County Farm, the jail at Grafton County Farm and the house of correction at Cheshire County Farm. Of particular importance is the fitting up of one of the buildings at Hillsborough County Farm for care of cases of incurable disease, a place which has long been urgently needed, not only for that county but for the whole state.

Five of the ten almshouses have no hospital quarters, although the sick and infirm make up a large part of the population of the institutions. There is particularly need of provision for the proper isolation and treatment of cases of venereal disease which are committed to the almshouses under the statutes for the control of these diseases.

The following is a statement showing the population of the almshouses during the last twelve years:

Total number of inmates of almshouses during the	
year ending Aug. 31, 1915	2,131
Total number during year ending Aug. 31, 1916..	1,939
Total number during year ending Aug. 31, 1917..	1,880
Total number during year ending Aug. 31, 1918..	1,667
Total number during year ending Aug. 31, 1919..	1,875
Total number during year ending Aug. 31, 1920..	1,600
Total number during year ending June 30, 1921	
(a ten-month period)	1,290
Total number during year ending June 30, 1922..	1,542
Total number during year ending June 30, 1923..	1,600
Total number during year ending June 30, 1924..	1,559
Total number during year ending June 30, 1925..	1,715
Total number during year ending June 30, 1926..	1,858

Tables III and IV give a detailed account of the almshouse population of the state during the biennial period and a brief statement in regard to each almshouse is given farther on in this report.

TABLE V
Number of Prisoners Committed to Houses of Correction at County Farms from July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1925

COUNTIES	Number of prisoners June 30, 1925			Total number during year			Nativity			Causes of Commitment							
	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	United States	Foreign	Unknown	Drunken- ness	Violation of liquor laws	Offenses against persons	Offenses against property	Offenses against morals	Vagrancy	Non- support	Other offenses
Rockingham.....	5	1	6	47	6	53	41	10	2	34	3	.....	1	5	5	1	4
Strafford ...	1	.....	1	78	2	80	70	8	2	70	2	.....	1	2	.....	.....	5
Belknap	2	.....	2	55	1	56	.....	.....	56	42	6	.....	4	.....	.....	3	1
Carroll.....	3	.....	3	7	1	8	7	...	1	4	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Merrimack.....	14	.....	14	76	...	76	46	30	...	51	13	1	4	4	.....	3	.....
Hillsborough.....	47	4	51	483	25	508	284	224	.....	425	60	9	6	1	1	2	4
Cheshire	14	.....	14	229	1	230	151	66	13	207	9	1	5	3	1	.....	4
Sullivan	10	1	11	35	6	41	19	11	11	23	8	1	7	1	...	1	.....
Grafton.....	8	.....	8	76	4	80	.....	.....	80	56	17	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	1
Coos.....	19	2	21	74	5	79	39	31	9	31	31	1	3	1	.....	1	11
Total	123	8	131	1,100	51	1,211	657	380	174	943	149	13	39	17	7	11	32

TABLE VI
Number of Prisoners Committed to Houses of Correction at County Farms from July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926

COUNTIES	Number of prisoners June 30, 1926			Total number during year			Nativity			Causes of commitment							
	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	United States	Foreign	Unknown	Drunken- ness	Violation of liquor laws	Offenses against persons	Offenses against property	Offenses against morals	Vagrancy	Non- support	Other offenses
Rockingham.....	8	2	10	48	8	56	46	5	5	37	4	2	1	3	3	2	4
Strafford.....	9	.....	9	57	.....	57	46	11	.....	38	11	2	4	.....	1	1	.....
Belknap.....	3	1	4	37	2	39	.....	.....	39	31	3	2	1	.....	.....	1	1
Carroll.....	1	1	2	9	1	7	6	.....	1	1	2	.....	1	2	1	.....	.....
Merrimack.....	24	1	25	117	6	123	82	40	1	70	20	.....	6	13	.....	3	11
Hillsborough.....	36	3	39	435	27	462	269	193	.....	365	63	11	11	6	.....	2	4
Cheshire.....	16	2	18	174	6	180	133	46	1	135	16	5	6	3	4	2	9
Sullivan.....	5	.....	5	59	4	63	.....	.....	63	40	16	2	1	.....	.....	1	3
Grafton.....	12	.....	12	78	6	84	.....	.....	84	46	14	3	12	5	.....	1	3
Coos.....	15	4	19	63	5	68	39	14	15	16	20	4	10	.....	2	2	14
Total.....	129	14	143	1,074	65	1,139	621	309	209	779	169	31	53	32	11	15	49

HOUSES OF CORRECTION

There is nothing new to report regarding houses of correction. Each of the ten county farms maintains a house of correction to which prisoners guilty of minor offenses are committed. While the labor of these prisoners is useful on the farms, the State Board of Charities disapproves and always has done so of the policy of combining an almshouse and a house of correction in one institution.

The following statement shows the number of prisoners committed to houses of correction during the last twelve years:

Year ending Aug. 31, 1915.....	2,041
Year ending Aug. 31, 1916.....	1,868
Year ending Aug. 31, 1917.....	1,928
Year ending Aug. 31, 1918.....	961
Year ending Aug. 31, 1919.....	424
Year ending Aug. 31, 1920.....	175
Year ending June 30, 1921 (a ten-month period) ..	268
Year ending June 30, 1922.....	709
Year ending June 30, 1923.....	609
Year ending June 30, 1924.....	906
Year ending June 30, 1925.....	1,211
Year ending June 30, 1926.....	1,139

Tables V and VI give a detailed statement of the number of prisoners and causes of commitment during the last two years.

TABLE VII

Jail Population for year ending June 30, 1925

COUNTIES	Number men prisoners in jail June 30, 1925	Number women prisoners in jail June 30, 1925	Total number prisoners in jail June 30, 1925	Number men prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1925	Number women prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1925	Total number prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1925	Average number officers employed during year
Rockingham	12	1	13	85	9	94	1
Strafford.....	9	.....	9	42	.....	42	1
Belknap.....	8	.....	8	34	2	36	5
Carroll.....	.....	.....	.....	35	3	38	1
Merrimack	†3	2	†10	||69	4	||73	1
Hillsborough.....	18	2	20	*164	10	*174	3
Cheshire *.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sullivan † ||.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grafton	8	.....	8	49	1	50	2
Coos.....	17	1	18	83	5	88	2
Total.....	80	6	86	561	34	595	

† Includes 3 Sullivan County prisoners. || Includes 10 Sullivan County prisoners. Sullivan County Jail closed.

* Includes 11 Cheshire County prisoners. Cheshire County Jail closed.

TABLE VIII

Jail Population for year ending June 30, 1926

COUNTIES	Number men prisoners in jail June 30, 1926	Number women prisoners in jail June 30, 1926	Total number prisoners in jail June 30, 1926	Number men prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1926	Number women prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1926	Total number prisoners received during year ending June 30, 1926	Average number officers employed during year
Rockingham.....	12	.....	12	86	4	90	1
Strafford	5	.....	5	42	.....	42	1
Belknap	10	.....	10	45	2	47	1
Carroll .....	.....	.....	.....	11	1	12	1
Merrimack * .....	.....	.....	.....	†23	1	†24	1
Hillsborough.....	39	3	†42	253	20	||273	3
Cheshire § .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sullivan † .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grafton	17	.....	17	58	3	61	2
Coos.....	4	.....	4	84	6	90	2
Total.....	87	3	90	602	37	639	

* Merrimack County Jail closed February 1, 1926.

† Includes 6 Sullivan County prisoners. Sullivan County Jail closed.

‡ Includes 13 Federal prisoners, 7 from Merrimack County, 6 from Cheshire County, and 2 from Sullivan County.

|| Includes 70 men and 4 women Federal prisoners, 15 men from Merrimack County, 25 from Cheshire County, and 2 from Sullivan County.

§ Cheshire County Jail closed.

JAILS

Formerly, a jail was maintained in each county but the Legislature of 1921 enacted a law providing that two jails should be maintained in the state, one at Haverhill and one at Manchester, prisoners from other counties to be confined in these jails at the expense of the counties from which they were committed. Since this law was enacted, four jails have been closed and three still remain closed. In Strafford County, the jail at Dover was closed June 1, 1921, and the prisoners were transferred to the Rockingham County Jail at Portsmouth but the number of prisoners increased considerably and the Legislature of 1923 designated the house of correction building at Strafford County Farm as a jail. Consequently, Strafford County Jail prisoners are now confined there. Cheshire County prisoners are committed to Hillsborough County Jail and Sullivan County prisoners were placed in Merrimack County Jail until February 1, 1926, when it was closed, as the property had been sold to the Union School District of Concord as a site for a high school. Since then, both Merrimack and Sullivan County prisoners have been sent to Hillsborough County Jail.

The jail at Grafton County Farm has been rebuilt and the jail at Coos County Farm has been repaired considerably during the biennial period.

The following statement gives the jail population for the last twelve years:

Year ending Aug. 31, 1915.....	882
Year ending Aug. 31, 1916.....	655
Year ending Aug. 31, 1917.....	484
Year ending Aug. 31, 1918.....	445
Year ending Aug. 31, 1919.....	396
Year ending Aug. 31, 1920.....	319
Year ending June 30, 1921 (a ten-month period) ..	360
Year ending June 30, 1922.....	506

Year ending June 30, 1923.....	379
Year ending June 30, 1924.....	451
Year ending June 30, 1925.....	595
Year ending June 30, 1926.....	639

Tables VII and VIII give a statement of the jail population for the biennial period.

TABLE IX

Expenses of Jails from January, 1924, to January, 1925	
Rockingham	\$ 5,086.94
Strafford* .....	.....
Belknap* .....	.....
Carroll* .....	.....
Merrimack	6,411.59
Hillsborough	15,456.65
Cheshire † .....	.....
Sullivan ‡ .....	.....
Grafton * .....	.....
Coos* .....	.....

TABLE X

Expenses of Jails from January, 1925, to January, 1926	
Rockingham	\$ 6,237.99
Strafford* .....	.....
Belknap* .....	.....
Carroll* .....	.....
Merrimack	4,475.92
Hillsborough	15,592.23
Cheshire † .....	.....
Sullivan ‡ .....	.....
Grafton * .....	.....
Coos* .....	.....

* In counties starred the jails are connected with almshouses and expenses are included with expenses of those institutions.

† Cheshire County Jail was closed July 1, 1921. Expense of boarding prisoners elsewhere in 1924 was \$975.55; in 1925, \$1,685.70.

‡ Sullivan County Jail was closed October 1, 1921. Expense of boarding prisoners elsewhere in 1924 was \$302.46; in 1925, \$645.60.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FARM

Rockingham County Farm is located at Brentwood, with post-office address Epping. Two substantial brick buildings were erected in 1918, one for the Superintendent's residence and the administrative offices and the other for the men inmates. The women inmates occupy a third brick building, which also contains hospital quarters, including a well-equipped operating room. Porches have recently been built on the north side of this building for the use of the inmates in hot weather. The institution has a modern kitchen and bakery and a central heating plant. The sanitary arrangements are very good and there is an abundant water supply.

The house of correction prisoners occupy a separate building, which is of modern construction, well lighted, and sanitary.

June 30, 1926, there were ⁴³95 male and ²⁰34 female inmates in the almshouse and 8 men and 2 women in the house of correction.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rand; Physician, Dr. Abram W. Mitchell; Chaplain, Rev. Thomas C. Brewster.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY JAIL

Rockingham County Jail is located in Portsmouth. It is a two-story building with good light, sanitation, and ventilation and is considered tool-proof. The cells are arranged for two occupants. The "trusties" do the work around the jail but the other prisoners have no occupation. There are separate quarters for women prisoners.

June 30, 1926, there were 12 men in the jail.

Sheriff Ceylon Spinney is the Jailer and Dr. H. L. Taylor is the Physician.

STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM

There have been no special changes at Strafford County Farm in Dover during the biennial period. The main building contains the Superintendent's residence, with rooms for the men and women inmates in the two wings. There are no suitable quarters for the care of the sick, although one end of the building is partitioned off for the care of cases of contagious disease. Two nurses are employed, one for the men and one for the women.

This Farm covers about 350 acres, nearly all of which is tillage land.

Strafford County Jail at Dover was closed June 1, 1921, and, for a time, the jail prisoners were boarded at Rockingham County Jail at Portsmouth but the Legislature of 1923 designated the house of correction building at Strafford County Farm as a jail and both jail and house of correction prisoners are now housed therein. The jail and the almshouse are both brick structures.

There were no children in this County Farm June 30, 1926. There were 49 men and 19 women in the almshouse, 9 men in the house of correction and 5 men in the jail.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Young have succeeded Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Ham as Superintendent and Matron, Dr. Dudley L. Stokes is the Physician, and religious services are conducted by Rev. Lester C. Holmes and by the Dover City Mission.

BELKNAP COUNTY FARM

Belknap County Farm is situated in Laconia, about a mile from the railroad station. The almshouse and house of correction are wooden buildings and the jail is made of brick. Women prisoners are confined in one section of the almshouse. During the past two years, the barn and heating system have been repaired and

several new bathtubs and shower baths have been installed. A nurse is employed on the women's side and a male attendant on the men's side.

There have been no children at this institution during the last fiscal year and there was only one, a baby admitted with his mother, during the previous year. On June 30, 1926, there were 14 men and 13 women in the almshouse, 3 men and 1 woman in the house of correction, and 10 men in the jail.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Magill; Physician, Dr. L. R. Brown; Chaplain, Rev. R. W. Roundy.

CARROLL COUNTY FARM

Carroll County Farm is situated in Ossipee. The almshouse inmates occupy a three-story wooden building while the jail and house of correction prisoners are housed in the lower part of the three-story brick building adjoining. The two upper floors contain rooms for the women inmates. A covered passage connects the two buildings. There are no hospital quarters.

These buildings were in good condition when inspected. The almshouse has been painted inside and out and other necessary repairs have been made. A new reservoir has been built, so that there is now an ample water supply.

The farm contains 500 acres, about 85 of which are tillage land.

There were no children at Carroll County Farm June 30, 1926. There were 20 men and 11 women in the almshouse, 1 man and 1 woman in the house of correction, and no prisoners in the jail.

Officers: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Mason, Superintendent and Matron; Dr. Ervin W. Hodsdon, Physician.

MERRIMACK COUNTY FARM

Merrimack County Farm is located at Gerrish in the town of Boscawen. It contains 1300 acres, of which 165 are under cultivation. The almshouse, a brick building, contains the administrative offices, Superintendent's residence, comfortable quarters for the inmates, a nursery, and a hospital ward. A small house nearby provides a place for the care of cases of contagious disease.

The house of correction is a brick building on the other side of the highway, entirely separate from the almshouse.

This institution is always in excellent condition. Ordinary repairs have been made during the last two years and the barn has been entirely rebuilt.

June 30, 1926, there were 68 male and 47 female inmates in the almshouse and 24 men and 1 woman in the house of correction.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Lorden; Physician, Dr. E. T. Drake; Chaplain, Rev. Daniel McIntyre.

MERRIMACK COUNTY JAIL

Merrimack County Jail at Concord was closed February 1, 1926, and 4 of the 7 prisoners were transferred to the House of Correction at Gerrish, 1 to Hillsborough County Jail at Manchester, and 2 were discharged.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FARM

Hillsborough County Farm is located at Grasmere in the town of Goffstown. It comprises the administration building, almshouse, house of correction, a building formerly used for insane women, and hospital, all of brick construction, also a number of farm buildings. There is a very good nursery for young children in one section of the almshouse and a playground adjacent to the building. The children are entirely separated from

the other inmates. The building formerly used for insane women has recently been remodeled to provide for the care of chronic cases, thus giving more room in the hospital for acute cases. It contains 35 pleasant rooms.

The hospital is across the road from the other buildings and ranks high among the hospitals of the state. It contains a special ward for tubercular patients, also an orthopedic department. The laboratory and X-Ray room are well equipped. During the past two years, a staff of consulting physicians and surgeons has been formed, which has proved very beneficial to the hospital. A training school for nurses is maintained.

There is a central heating plant for the institution and a concrete subway connects the hospital with the administration building, to take care of the steam pipes and to provide a passage way for use in stormy weather.

June 30, 1926, the population of the almshouse was 215 males and 112 females. There were 36 men and 3 women in the house of correction.

Mr. and Mrs. Brainard P. Newton have succeeded Mr. and Mrs. Charles Connor as Superintendent and Matron. Other officers are: Assistant Superintendent, John L. Wentworth; Director of the Staff, George V. Fiske, M.D.; Physicians to Hospital, Frederick P. Scribner, M.D., E. B. Swett, M.D.; Chaplains, Rev. E. S. Collier and Rev. Ernest E. Brodeur.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY JAIL

Hillsborough County Jail is located in Manchester and is a modern, comfortable, and sanitary building, practically tool and fire-proof. There are six shower baths, a large corridor used for a dining-room, individual lockers and a workshop. The prisoners assist in the work around the place. The jail was very clean when inspected.

Cheshire County prisoners have been confined there since July 1, 1921, and Merrimack and Sullivan County prisoners since February 1, 1926.

June 30, 1926, there were 39 men and 3 women in jail. Thirteen of these were Federal prisoners, 7 were from Merrimack County, 6 from Cheshire County, and 2 from Sullivan County.

Sheriff John T. O'Dowd is the Jailer.

CHESHIRE COUNTY FARM

Cheshire County Farm is located in Westmoreland and is known as Maplewood Home. The main almshouse is a three-story brick building with a two-story ell and contains a kitchen, dining-room, living-room and dormitories. Another brick building contains quarters for the women inmates and a chapel. There is a very good hospital at this institution, also a small building for the care of tubercular patients.

When the Board visited this County Farm in May, 1926, plans were being made to remodel one of the buildings so as to provide more suitable quarters for the house of correction prisoners. When completed, the building will have a dormitory for twenty-five prisoners, and five cells, including one dark cell. Other improvements are to follow.

There were 38 males and 21 females in the almshouse June 30, 1926, and 16 males and 2 females in the house of correction.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Sherman; Physician, Dr. Bayard T. Mousley.

CHESHIRE COUNTY JAIL

Cheshire County Jail was closed July 1, 1921, and since that time, prisoners from this county have been confined in Hillsborough County Jail.

SULLIVAN COUNTY FARM

• Sullivan County Farm is located at Unity, with post-office address Claremont. The Superintendent's residence, almshouse, and house of correction are all wooden buildings. The main building has been improved somewhat but still lacks suitable quarters for the invalid inmates, who should be on the ground floor. Fire escapes and hose are provided and a night watchman is employed.

There were 25 males and 16 females in the almshouse June 30, 1926, and 5 men in the house of correction. There were no children.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Grout have succeeded Mr. and Mrs. Oliver A. Putnam as Superintendent and Matron. Dr. H. C. Sanders, Jr., is the Physician, and Rev. Harvey C. Sawyer is the Chaplain.

SULLIVAN COUNTY JAIL

Sullivan County Jail is closed and prisoners from this county are now confined in Hillsborough County Jail in Manchester.

GRAFTON COUNTY FARM

Grafton County Farm is located about two miles from Woodsville near the Horse Meadow Railroad station and covers 760 acres, about 200 of which are under cultivation. All the buildings are made of wood, except the jail, which is a brick structure. A new steam heating system has been installed recently and the jail has been rebuilt. The house of correction prisoners now occupy the upper part of this building and the old house of correction building is used for the men inmates. There is a very good hospital at this Farm.

The population of the almshouse June 30, 1926, was 74, 39 males and 35 females. There were 12 men in the house of correction and 17 men in the jail.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Alvah H. Parker; Physician, Dr. Elmer M. Miller; Chaplain, Rev. Dick E. Burns.

COOS COUNTY FARM

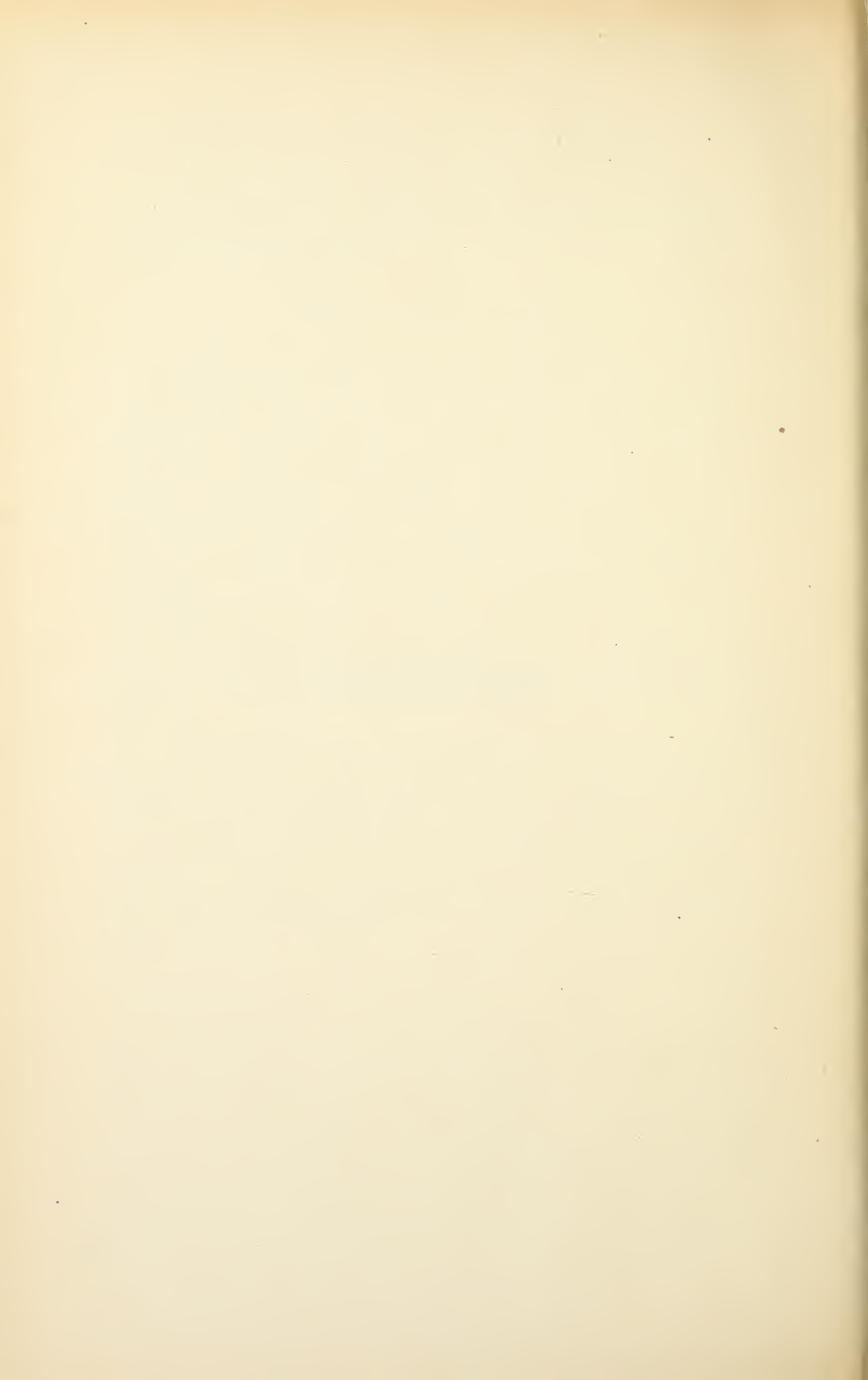
Coos County Farm is located in West Stewartstown, near the railroad, and covers about 1000 acres, of which at least 150 acres are tillage land. There is considerable danger of fire, as most of the buildings are made of wood. A night watchman is employed and fire escapes, stand-pipes, and hose are provided. The institution has an abundant water supply. The women inmates occupy the main almshouse and the men occupy an adjoining building. There are no hospital quarters, but a nurse is employed.

The population of the almshouse June 30, 1926, was sixty-six, 44 males and 22 females. There were 15 men and 4 women in the house of correction and 4 men in the jail.

The jail and house of correction building is a brick structure connected by subway with the main building, where all the cooking for the institution is done.

Officers: Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Almon J. Young; Physicians, Dr. G. W. Barbour and Dr. John Blodgett; Chaplains, Rev. Harriet H. Albee and Rev. L. P. Routhier.

CHILD WELFARE



CASE WORK

As in the past, it has been the privilege of the Child Welfare Division of the Board to care for little children who are the victims of their parents' inability to provide for them during their tender years. The Division has also been interested in young people who have been unable to adjust themselves to their social and industrial conditions and has tried to help them to become self-sustaining, even if not constructive members of their particular group. Foremost of all, the Child Welfare Agents have tried to devise ways and means for the prevention of these same circumstances in the future. They have striven to train and care for these children in such a way that, later, when they reach the years of maturity, they can be returned to the community as self-supporting and respectable citizens.

In dealing with these children, the Agents have tried not to lose sight of the child's viewpoint and reaction to present methods of supervision. The statistics show that they have faced all sorts of difficulties, seeking various remedies and testing proposed remedies by observation and experience. The aim has been a better social functioning and not a temporary improvement.

The Division has tried to recognize the fact that not only are individuals responsible to the State but there exists a grave responsibility on the part of the State to the individual and it has endeavored to guarantee protection to each individual while he plays the game of life.

It will be seen from the statistics that there have been thirty-two cases of delinquency and it has been necessary to have only three children committed to the State Industrial School. As has always been the case, since there are no detention homes in New Hampshire, family homes or hospitals, if necessary, have been used for a study of the child pending a permanent plan.

Hospital care has been given to thirty-two children. This has proved very helpful in many ways, often showing some physical or mental weakness which was not apparent beforehand but which needed correction in order that the child might develop properly.

The cases of unsuitable homes, delinquency, separation, and family troubles, are really all instances of maladjustment. This has been found especially true in cases of children of adolescent age, proving that the power to adjust oneself satisfactorily and to make the most of the opportunities that are available depends on the personality development that takes place during childhood and adolescence.

The Child Welfare division of the American Legion has expressed a desire to co-operate with this department in carrying out provisions of a fund recently raised by the Legion for the care of children of ex-service men.

Service is the word that is emphasized in all branches of human activity today and the State Board of Charities will not feel that it has fulfilled its duty in the highest sense unless "Service" is its motto.

The following is a statement of the case work of the Child Welfare Division from July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1926:

New cases—274 involving 593 children and 5 feeble-minded young women

Old cases—167 involving 367 children and 3 feeble-minded young women

Total no. cases—441 involving 960 children and 8 feeble-minded young women

No. cases in which neglect was a factor.....	81
abuse	31
unsuitable homes	24
unsuitable foster homes	22
overwork	8
dependency	28
delinquency	32

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immoral conditions	33
illegitimacy	31
unmarried mothers needing care	9
physical ailments	24
illness, death, or insanity of parent or parents	28
parent or parents in prison or jail	10
separation of parents	14
desertion and non-support ...	51
feeble-mindedness	52
family troubles	6
Cases continued for supervision	87
Cases referred for placing only	6
Cases with inter-state complications	24
Miscellaneous cases	10
Investigations for agencies in other states	3
Cases in which complaint was unwarranted or con- ditions were exaggerated	14

Children Placed

Family homes	
Boarding homes	26
Free homes	29
Placed for adoption	12
Placed with relatives	10
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Placed at work	6
Children's Homes	66
County Farms (for temporary care)	29
Laconia State School	18
State Industrial School	3
Hospitals	32
Maternity Homes	5
House of the Good Shepherd	1
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Returned to other states	3
Returned to parents	16
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	256
No. children committed to legal custody of Board during biennial period	38
No. children in legal custody of Board June 30, 1926	141
No. children under supervision of Board but not in legal custody June 30, 1926	139
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Total	280
Location	
Family homes	
Boarding homes	29
Free homes	34
With parents	77
With relatives	19
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	159
Self-supporting	20
Children's Homes	81
County Farms	9
Hospitals	3
Laconia State School	6
State Industrial School	2
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Total	280

CRIPPLED CHILDREN

The Legislature of 1919 appropriated \$2500 for each of the two succeeding fiscal years for the care of crippled and tuberculous children and succeeding legislatures have continued the appropriation, the Legislature of 1923 increasing it to \$3000. This amount is none too large, for crippled children usually require long-continued treatment, with expensive braces, frames, etc. The

parents are expected to contribute toward the expense when possible but they are seldom able to do so. In some instances, part of the expense is borne by the County Commissioners or by some private agency. Orthopedic clinics are conducted by various private agencies throughout the State and the Board cooperates with these agencies in providing necessary treatment for the children examined in the clinics. Tuberculosis and infantile paralysis appear to be the principal causes of the orthopedic defects found.

Part of the appropriation is used for the education of crippled children in special schools outside the state where the instruction is adapted to their condition and they can receive medical attention also. One boy graduated from such a school in 1925, after completing a course in draughtmanship, and is now employed by the State Highway Department.

The total number assisted during the biennial period was 90. The following forms of assistance were given: Hospital care, 25; braces, frames, etc., and repair of same, 40; X-Ray examinations, 22; plaster casts, 11; medical treatment outside of hospitals, 2; physio-therapy treatment, 1; education in special schools, 9.

The appropriation for work among crippled children should be continued.

BOARDING HOMES FOR INFANTS

A careful and regular inspection of homes licensed for infant boarding has continued during the past two years. At present there are thirty-four licensed infant boarding homes, where two and in a few instances, four children under three, are cared for. It is not the policy of the Board to allow more than two infants to a home unless there is ample help for the licensee, since babies often require much attention and it takes time to develop correct habits in them. The licensees are given careful instruction in the general care of infants placed with

them, and very generally this instruction is supplemented through the help given by the visiting nurses of the several localities.

The law regulating the boarding of infants is printed in both English and French. It is very definite and every licensee is furnished with a copy, which is carefully explained by an Agent of the Board.

The health officers of the State have been requested to report to this Board any places boarding infants without a license and have very generally cooperated with the Board. Thus, there should be few, if any, people boarding infants not related by blood or marriage, of whom there is no record. It is allowable to board one infant without a license, provided that infant is duly reported to the Board, and again, through the cooperation of the city and town officials and the public health workers of the state, a fairly accurate list of homes in which but one infant is boarded is on file in the office of the Board. These homes are also subject to inspection by an Agent.

Adopting homes have been found for eleven babies. These homes were carefully investigated before use and in each case the child has found a real welcome.

LYING-IN PLACES

All hospitals, public or private, and all other places where maternity cases are cared for are required by law to hold a license from the State Board of Charities and Correction. No licenses are issued until the premises where it is proposed to treat such cases have been inspected and approved by the board of health of the town in which the applicant resides. An Agent of the Board also inspects such places and a report of all births, on slips provided the licensee, is required. Since the same precautions have been taken as in case of boarding houses for infants, it is not probable that the law regulating lying-in places is being violated.

TABLE XI

Statistical Table of Children Fifteen Years and Under, Dependent upon Public Funds for Support, June 30, 1925

COUNTIES	In almshouses		In orphans' homes		In families		In Industrial School *		Total dependents	Total delinquents	Total dependents and delinquents
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls			
Rockingham.....	1	.....	20	10	6	1	.....	1	38	1	39
Strafford .....	.....	.....	40	39	17	17	6	3	113	9	122
Belknap.....	.....	.....	13	12	.....	4	2	4	29	6	35
Carroll.....	3	.....	12	5	6	4	1	.....	30	1	31
Merrimack.....	3	3	22	14	5	5	7	3	52	10	62
Hillsborough...	19	11	103	90	65	65	24	3	353	27	380
Cheshire.....	1	.....	10	7	4	2	3	3	24	6	30
Sullivan .....	.....	3	4	5	5	2	1	1	19	2	21
Grafton.....	3	2	31	25	4	8	3	2	73	5	78
Coos.....	5	3	16	11	22	19	8	1	76	9	85
Total.....	35	22	271	218	154	127	55	21	807	*76	883

* Number of Children 15 years and under actually in school. Out on parole, 8 boys, 1 girl.

TABLE XII

Statistical Table of Children Fifteen Years and Under, Dependent upon Public Funds for Support, June 30, 1926

COUNTIES	In almshouses		In orphans' homes		In families		In Industrial School*		Total dependents	Total delinquents	Total dependents and delinquents
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls			
Rockingham.....	3	5	18	12	5	2	3	1	45	4	49
Strafford.....	.....	.....	38	38	14	16	7	2	106	9	115
Belknap.....	.....	.....	12	13	.....	4	1	.....	29	1	30
Carroll.....	.....	.....	9	3	7	5	1	.....	24	1	25
Merrimack.....	7	4	20	11	3	5	8	3	50	11	61
Hillsborough.....	27	8	98	71	56	59	21	7	319	28	347
Cheshire.....	2	1	13	11	2	2	2	3	31	5	36
Sullivan.....	.....	.....	4	6	7	1	2	1	18	3	21
Grafton.....	1	.....	29	28	4	8	7	2	70	9	79
Coos.....	7	5	11	19	20	12	6	1	74	7	81
Total.....	47	23	252	212	118	114	58	20	766	*78	844

* Number of children 15 years and under actually in school. Out on parole, 12 boys, 1 girl.

Licenses are issued good for two years unless cancelled for cause. Advertising for patients is not allowed by law, although it is permitted for a hospital or other place taking maternity cases to display a sign with name of place or institution.

DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Records of all children dependent on public funds for support are on file in the office of the State Board of Charities. The number of dependent children on June 30, 1925, was 807—489 in Children's Homes, 57 in almshouses, and 261 in family homes. The law provides that no children shall remain in almshouses over sixty days unless they are ill or mentally deficient. It is often necessary, however, to place children in almshouses for temporary care until some other plan can be made for them. The number of dependent children on June 30, 1926, was 766—~~484~~⁴⁶⁴ in Children's Homes, 70 in almshouses, and 232 in family homes. There were no children in Strafford or Belknap County almshouses on either date and Carroll and Sullivan County almshouses had no children on June 30, 1926.

Dependency of children as the result of desertion and non-support on the part of parents is becoming more and more common. If the law against desertion and non-support were more rigidly enforced, the number of deserting parents might be reduced considerably and the public would not have the burden of supporting so many deserted children.

CHILDREN'S HOMES

While the Children's Homes of New Hampshire are private institutions, nearly all of them receive public charges and consequently are under the supervision of the State Board of Charities. Some have endowment funds but others depend wholly on the small amounts

TABLE XIII
Statistical Table of Children Dependent upon Public and Private Support in Orphans' Homes and Asylums
 June 30, 1925

	Number of children		Total number of children	Number of public charges 15 years and under		Total number of public charges	Sum of annual expenses	Amount of permanent fund
	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls			
Bethesda Children's Home, West Rumney.....	10	16	26	6	4	10	\$4,999.13	+
Chase Home, Portsmouth.....	13	13	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	+
Children's Home, Dover.....	30	28	58	14	14	28	14,895.82	\$77,227.89
Coit House, Concord.....	14	8	22	4	4	8	18,527.06	107,269.44
Golden Rule Farm Homes, Franklin.....	20	.....	20	7	.....	7	5,455.84	5,000.00
King's Daughters' Day Nursery and Childrens' Home, Nashua.....	10	11	21	5	3	8	4,916.74	13,489.88
Manchester Children's Home Manchester.....	23	21	44	1	3	4	.....	*
Nashua Protestant Orphanage, Nashua.....	12	11	23	4	2	6	5,210.90	*
New Hampshire Orphans' Home, Franklin.....	95	56	151	83	50	133	46,864.10	232,893.55
Notre Dame de Lourdes Orphanage, Manchester.....	.....	123	123	.....	45	45	*	+
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Infant Asylum, Manchester.....	28	26	54	4	3	7	.....	+
Rolfe and Rumford Asylum for Girls, Concord*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Charles' Orphanage, Rochester.....	71	56	127	23	26	49	*	+
St. Joseph's Boys' Home, Manchester.....	71	.....	71	46	.....	46	*	+
St. Joseph's Orphanage, Nashua.....	93	93	186	16	18	34	26,965.10	+
St. Patrick's Orphanage for Girls, Manchester.....	.....	71	71	.....	35	35	*	+
St. Peter's Orphanage, Manchester.....	139	.....	139	51	.....	51	*	+
St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage, Manchester.....	44	39	83	7	11	18	18,249.34	+
Total.....	673	572	1,245	271	218	489	.....	.....

* Not reported. + No permanent fund.

TABLE XIV

Statistical Table of Children Dependent upon Public and Private Support in Orphans' Homes and Asylums
June 30, 1926

	Number of children		Total number of children	Number of public charges 15 years and under		Total number of public charges	Sum of annual expenses	Amount of permanent fund
	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls			
Bethesda Children's Home, West Rumney.....	12	8	20	4	4	8	\$5,799.40	+
Chase Home, Portsmouth.....	8	11	19	13	12	25	18,400.78	\$78,000.00
Children's Home Dover.....	29	21	50	3	5	8	17,020.25	108,861.25
Coit House, Concord.....	15	19	34	14	.....	14	*	8,000.00
Golden Rule Farm Homes, Franklin.....	27	.....	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
King's Daughters' Day Nursery and Children's Home, Nashua.....	10	8	18	2	.....	2	5,222.80	*
Manchester Children's Home, Manchester.....	27	23	50	2	4	6	*	*
Nashua Protestant Orphanage, Nashua.....	13	8	21	5	.....	7	5,858.76	51,938.20
New Hampshire Orphans' Home, Franklin.....	95	73	163	84	64	148	53,673.01	*
Notre Dame de Lourdes Orphanage, Manchester.....	.....	106	106	.....	46	46	*	+
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Infant Asylum, Manchester.....	29	23	52	3	1	4	*	+
Rolfe and Rumford Asylum for Girls, Concord*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Charles' Orphanage, Rochester.....	81	71	152	19	25	44	*	+
St. Joseph's Boys' Home, Manchester.....	45	.....	45	33	.....	33	*	+
St. Joseph's Orphanage, Nashua.....	99	91	190	19	12	31	28,648.24	+
St. Patrick's Orphanage for Girls, Manchester.....	.....	45	45	.....	27	27	*	+
St. Peter's Orphanage, Manchester.....	130	.....	130	44	.....	44	*	+
St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage, Manchester.....	54	57	111	7	10	17	18,814.09	+
Total.....	674	564	1,238	232	212	461	.....	.....

* Not reported. + No permanent fund.

paid for board of the children and upon donations. The larger Homes conduct their own schools while the children in the small institutions attend the public schools. There are eleven Protestant and eight Catholic Homes in the State.

Fires have occurred in two Homes during the biennial period. The main building at the Golden Rule Farm was entirely destroyed and has been replaced by a larger building. A small fire occurred at the New Hampshire Orphans' Home. A new school and nursery have taken the place of the buildings destroyed at this institution in the disastrous fire in 1923.

One institution, the Dover Children's Home, is now the fortunate possessor of a summer camp, the gift of Edward W. Rollins of Dover. This will undoubtedly prove most beneficial to the children in every way.

The population of Children's Homes on June 30, 1925, was 1,245—673 boys and 572 girls. There were 489 public charges—271 boys and 218 girls. On June 30, 1926, the population was 1,238—674 boys and 564 girls. There were 464 public charges—252 boys and 212 girls.

A brief statement about each Home follows.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ORPHANS' HOME

New Hampshire Orphans' Home is located in Franklin on property which once belonged to Daniel Webster. It contains about 200 acres of land, about half of which is tillage. In addition to the dormitories which house the greater part of the children, the John Taylor Cottage for boys and the Abigail Bartlett Cottage for girls on the other side of the highway provided quarters for a few of the older boys and girls. It is the aim of the management to make the atmosphere of these cottages as much like a family home as possible.

The nursery and school building which were destroyed by fire in 1923 have been replaced by larger buildings, funds for the nursery being raised by public

subscription while the erection of the school building was made possible by the generosity of the Henry family of Lincoln. The school is known as the Henry Memorial School and the nursery has been named the Daniel Webster Building. It can accommodate 16 babies and 48 children from four to eight years of age. A registered nurse is in charge of the building.

Special attention is given to the health of the children, a doctor and dentist being employed for this purpose. Dr. Shaw, an optometrist of Franklin, gives his services and provides glasses for the children free of charge.

The population of the Home on June 30, 1926, was 168—95 boys and 73 girls. Eighty-four boys and 64 girls were public charges.

Officers: President, Frank L. Gerrish; Treasurer, William S. Huntington; Superintendent and Matron, Rev. and Mrs. Walter J. Malvern.

MANCHESTER CHILDREN'S HOME

The Manchester Children's Home is situated on the corner of Walnut and Webster Streets in Manchester and consists of two buildings, the larger one containing the administration section and rooms for the older children and the smaller one providing hospital quarters and rooms for the little children. There are accommodations for eighty and both boys and girls are received. The children attend the public schools and a nearby church. The Protestant societies of Manchester contribute to the support of this Home and there is also a small endowment fund.

When the Home was visited by members of the Board, everything appeared to be in good condition and the children looked well nourished.

There were 27 boys and 23 girls in this Home June 30, 1926. Two boys and 4 girls were public charges.

Officers: President, Mrs. Josiah Carpenter; Secretary, Miss Maria F. Kidder; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida M. Wingate; Matron, Mrs. Annie M. Marden.

ST. PATRICK'S ORPHANAGE FOR GIRLS AND ST. JOSEPH'S BOYS' HOME

St. Patrick's Orphanage is a Catholic Home for girls in charge of the Sisters of Mercy and is located at the corner of Hanover and Pine Streets in Manchester, in a three-story wooden building. There are accommodations for one hundred twenty-five girls. A school is maintained in the building for the younger girls, while the older ones attend the Cathedral parish school.

The boys of St. Joseph's Boys' Home occupy a brick building on the corner of Pine and Amherst Streets, adjoining St. Patrick's Orphanage for Girls. There are accommodations for one hundred forty boys. As in St. Patrick's, the small boys attend school in the building, while the older ones attend the Cathedral parish school. There is a chapel in the Home in which mass is celebrated by priests from St. Joseph's Cathedral for the children of both Homes.

Board members who visited these two Homes found the children looking well and everything very neat. They were shown some very good needle-work, embroidery, etc., which had been done by the junior girls. These Homes have no endowment fund.

June 30, 1926, there were 45 boys in St. Joseph's Boys' Home and 45 girls in St. Patrick's Orphanage. Thirty-three boys and 27 girls were public charges.

Sister Joseph is the Superior of both Homes.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ORPHANAGE

St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage is situated on Lake Avenue, Manchester, and is a Catholic Home for boys and girls connected with the parish of St. Augustine. It

can accommodate a little over one hundred children. The building, which is made of wood, is well lighted, heated and ventilated and is kept immaculately clean. The Home maintains its own school. There is no endowment fund.

June 30, 1926, there were 54 boys and 57 girls in the Home, of whom 7 boys and 10 girls were public charges.

This Home is in charge of the Sisters of Providence and Sister of the Immaculate Conception is the Superior.

NOTRE DAME DE LOURDES ORPHANAGE

Notre Dame de Lourdes Orphanage is a Catholic Home for girls connected with St. Marie's Parish in West Manchester. It is located on the corner of Wayne Street and Notre Dame Avenue. It was originally intended for both boys and girls, but became so crowded that in 1902 a separate orphanage was erected for boys. The girls receive regular school instruction.

This Orphanage maintains a day nursery, to care for children whose mothers work outside their homes. Women who are able pay a small amount for the care of their children but many children are received free of charge.

The Home has no endowment fund.

June 30, 1926, there were 106 girls in the orphanage, 46 of whom were public charges.

The Home is in charge of the Grey Nuns and Sister Dufrost is Directress.

ST. PETER'S ORPHANAGE

St. Peter's Orphanage is a Home for boys which was opened in 1902 because of the crowded condition of Notre Dame Orphanage. It is located on Alsace and Amory Streets outside of the congested part of the city of Manchester. There are three substantial buildings with considerable land which is utilized for playgrounds

and gardens. A school is conducted at the Orphanage.

June 30, 1926, there were 130 boys in St. Peter's Orphanage, 44 of whom were public charges.

This Home is in charge of the Grey Nuns and Sister St. Alexandre is the Superior.

There is no permanent fund.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP INFANT ASYLUM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Infant Asylum has been located at 292 Concord Street, Manchester, since 1914 and receives infants and children under five years of age. When any of the children become five years old, other provision is made for them. The first floor contains nurseries for one hundred fifty babies and there is a well equipped maternity department on the second floor. The rooms are light and airy and there are verandas where the children may have plenty of sun and exercise. When the place was inspected by the Board, everything was in very good condition.

There were 52 babies and children in the Infant Asylum June 30, 1926, 29 boys and 23 girls. Three boys and 1 girl were public charges.

The Infant Asylum is in charge of the Sisters of Mercy and Sister Virginia is the Superior.

DOVER CHILDREN'S HOME

The Dover Children's Home is located in a substantial three-story building on Locust Street, Dover, and receives both boys and girls. The children attend the public schools and the Congregational Church. Instruction in domestic duties is given at the Home. Considerable attention is paid to the development of any musical talent which the children possess and promising pupils are, if possible, given an opportunity to attend

high school, even though no money is available for their support.

The income of the endowment fund is used to supplement the amounts received for board of the children.

Through the generosity of Edward W. Rollins of Dover, this Home now possesses an excellent camp on Parker Mountain in Strafford where the children may spend the entire summer vacation. Mr. Rollins purchased the Perkins and Boulby farms in 1925 and the barns on the two farms have been remodeled and converted into dormitories, one for the boys and one for the girls. The dormitories are finished in camp style and the electric light fixtures are in the shape of lanterns. The camp dining-room is on the ground floor of the girls' dormitory and a screened porch extends all the way around the building. An old house on the property is being remodeled to accommodate visitors and to provide quarters for the Matron. Each of the buildings has a one-pipe furnace. In the cupola of the main building, Mr. Rollins has placed a signal light which can be seen for miles around. The place is well equipped for fire protection. All the children receive swimming lessons, the older ones using the regular pond while an artificial pond has been constructed for the little ones.

June 30, 1926, there were 29 boys and 21 girls in the Dover Children's Home, of whom 13 boys and 12 girls were public charges.

Officers: President, Miss Sarah F. Wyatt; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Alma M. Snow, Mrs. Maud Bridges Corson, Mrs. Edith H. Hubbard; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Grace Vickery; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Welch; Treasurer, Mrs. Helen O. Hanson; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Louie Wiggin; Superintendent, Mrs. Anne L. Herrin.

KING'S DAUGHTERS' DAY NURSERY AND
CHILDREN'S HOME

The King's Daughters' Home is a small Home located at the corner of Kinsley and Wilder Streets in Nashua and receives both boys and girls. It was established originally as a day nursery for the care of children whose mothers were obliged to work. It has a small endowment fund and receives contributions from the different circles of King's Daughters throughout the State. The children attend the public schools and whatever churches their friends or relatives desire.

Members of the Board found the place neat and conditions satisfactory. The Matron informed them that the management hoped to have a new building with larger quarters before long.

June 30, 1926, there were 10 boys and 8 girls in this Home, 2 of the boys being public charges.

Officers: President, Mrs. Lucette H. Blunt; Clerk, Mrs. George Balcom; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ellery B. Albee; Treasurer, Miss Ida F. Wallace; Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Caverly.

NASHUA PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE

The Nashua Protestant Orphanage, which formerly occupied a building at Burritt and Brooks Streets, Nashua, is now pleasantly located at 125 Amherst St. The first floor contains a kitchen, dining-room, living-room, parlor, and a large playroom. Upstairs are two light, airy dormitories, one for boys and one for girls, and a library. Each child has a separate closet for his clothes and a locker in the playroom for his toys. There is plenty of land for garden and playground purposes. This Home has a small permanent fund.

The children attend the public schools and the Pilgrim Church. The Board members found them looking healthy and well nourished.

June 30, 1926, there were 13 boys and 8 girls in the Orphanage. Five boys and 2 girls were public charges.

Officers: President, E. Ray Shaw; Secretary-Treasurer, Herbert E. Kendall; Superintendent and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Stanton.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORPHANAGE

St. Joseph's Orphanage, on Main Street, Nashua, is a Catholic Home for both boys and girls. The original plant was purchased by Father Millette in 1900 and additions have been made so as to accommodate more children. A substantial brick building was erected in 1912. A school is maintained for the younger children and the older ones attend the parochial school. The Home has a camp on the Dunstable Road to which the children are sent for short vacations during the summer. There is no endowment fund.

Board members found the children orderly and the rooms neat, clean and well ventilated.

June 30, 1926, there were 99 boys and 91 girls in the orphanage, of whom 19 boys and 12 girls were public charges.

The Home is in charge of the Grey Nuns and Sister M. C. Bourgon is the Superior.

CHASE HOME

Chase Home was originally located on the corner of Court and Washington Streets in Portsmouth and accommodated twenty children. Feeling the need of a larger and more modern building, with land for playgrounds, the management of the Home purchased twenty-six acres of land on Middle Road and erected a substantial, three-story building, which was occupied in February, 1918. The present Home can accommodate fifty children and both boys and girls are received. No public charges have been received for the last few years.

The children attend the public schools and whatever churches their parents or friends designate.

Officers: President of Board of Managers, Mrs. Wallis D. Walker; Secretary, Mrs. Charles H. Batchelder; Treasurer, Mrs. Helen Waldron; President Board of Trustees, Daniel F. Borthwick; Secretary-Treasurer, William C. Walton; Superintendent, Mrs. Florena M. Davis.

COIT HOUSE

Coit House, formerly known as the Concord Orphans' Home is the oldest orphanage in the state, having been established in 1866 for the benefit of children orphaned by the Civil War. It is located at Millville in the city of Concord and receives both boys and girls. It has always been under the direction of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire. The children go to the public schools and attend religious services in the old chapel of St. Paul's School.

Two years ago, a new high pressure water main was laid down and larger standpipes replaced the old ones, so that the Home is now well equipped for fire protection.

June 30, 1926, there were 15 boys and 19 girls in Coit House, of whom 3 boys and 5 girls were public charges.

Officers: President, Rt. Rev. John Dallas, D.D.; Treasurer, Rev. Walter W. Reid; Superintendent, Miss Marguerite Malcom.

ROLFE AND RUMFORD ASYLUM

The Countess of Rumford bequeathed her house and grounds in the southern part of the City of Concord and \$16,000 in cash for the purpose of establishing a Home for girls born in Concord. The fund was allowed to accumulate until 1880, when it was large enough to maintain an institution and the Home was opened. Girls four years of age and upward are admitted to the Home

and remain until they are old enough to be self-supporting. Twenty children can be accommodated. A school is conducted and the girls also receive domestic training.

The income of the endowment fund is large enough to maintain the Home and no demands are made upon the public for contributions.

Officers: President, Dr. George M. Kimball; Secretary, George Bunker; Treasurer, Joseph T. Walker; Matron, Miss Emma Dupee.

BETHESDA HOME

The Bethesda Home at West Rumney was first opened in 1911 by a religious sect known as the First Fruit Harvesters. In 1918, the New Hampshire Child Welfare Association was formed and took charge of this Home for the purpose of making it an Observation Home for temporary care of children. This society went out of existence and the Home was closed in 1920 but was reopened in the fall of 1921 by the First Fruit Harvesters. Twenty-eight children can be accommodated in the dormitories and both boys and girls are received. A school is maintained in the Home. Extensive alterations and repairs are planned at this Institution in the near future.

Earle M. Barney is the Superintendent, G. W. Hanks is the Assistant Superintendent, and Mrs. Hanks is the Matron.

ST. CHARLES' ORPHANAGE

St. Charles' Orphanage, situated on Grand Street in Rochester, is a Catholic Home for boys and girls under twelve which was established in 1913. The residence which was on the estate when purchased was enlarged so as to provide two dormitories, one for boys and one for girls. There are six acres of land, which are utilized

for playgrounds and gardens. A school is conducted at the institution.

The Grey Nuns have charge of the Orphanage and Sister Perras is the Superior.

GOLDEN RULE FARM HOMES

The Golden Rule Farm Homes, commonly known as the Golden Rule Farm, is located near the Oakdale Park Station in Franklin, on the main road from Franklin to Hill. The post-office address is Hill. This Home was established in 1915, primarily as a Home for mildly delinquent boys, similar to the Good-Will Home for Boys in Maine.

The Knoll Farm was purchased in the spring of 1915 and an adjoining farm of 100 acres was presented to the Home by Mrs. Lucy N. Bradley during the following spring. For some time, there was considerable difficulty in raising sufficient funds to put these buildings in good condition and carry on the institution. Improvements were finally made, however.

December 5, 1924, the main building was totally destroyed by fire with its contents but everyone escaped unharmed. The Bradley cottage was rearranged to take care of the boys until other provision could be made for them. Friends of the Home rallied to its aid and funds were raised for the erection of a new building, which was completed and occupied in April, 1926. The institution can now accommodate fifty boys.

The Trustees are contemplating other improvements. A storage building is being constructed and a small workshop is to be moved, so that part of the grounds may be cleared and graded for a playground. A dam is proposed on a brook running through the farm yard, which will produce a reservoir from which water could be pumped by the city motor fire apparatus in case of fire. It will also afford a skating pond in the winter.

The boys attend the public schools and work on the farm out of school hours.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. McElroy succeeded Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blanchard as Superintendent and Matron in October, 1925, but remained only a short time. Their places have been filled by the return of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Kelley, who formerly occupied these positions.

There were 27 boys in this Home June 30, 1926, 14 of whom were public charges.

MERCY HOME

The Mercy Home at East Manchester, named for Mrs. Mercy Boylston of Amherst, was established in 1890 by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to provide shelter and protection for girls who might go astray because of unsuitable home surroundings. It is not a reformatory but its object is to prevent the necessity of reform. Girls from ten to thirteen years of age are received and remain at the Home until they are able to take care of themselves.

The Home can accommodate twenty-one girls, and this limited number ensures the personal interest of the management in each girl. Every girl has a room of her own, which she is expected to keep in good order.

The main source of income for the Home is a very good laundry, in which the girls work part of the day. They have an evening school and receive instruction through the eighth grade, with opportunity for further instruction outside, if their ability warrants it. They also receive domestic training.

Officers: President, Miss C. R. Wendell, Dover; Matron, Miss Ella C. Hurd.

DEAF, DUMB AND BLIND

STATE BENEFICIARIES AT SPECIAL SCHOOLS

The present annual appropriation for the education of deaf, dumb, and blind children is \$30,000. These children attend special schools in other states, the State of New Hampshire paying their board and tuition, while the parents are expected to provide clothing and transportation.

Blind children attend the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, Watertown, Mass. There were 13 pupils from New Hampshire at this School during the school year 1924-25 and 11 during the year 1925-26. One girl's family moved to Maine during the year.

There were 39 deaf and dumb children from New Hampshire attending special schools during the school year 1924-25. Thirteen were at the American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Conn., 16 at the Austine Institution, Brattleboro, Vt., 2 at the Beverly School for the Deaf, Beverly, Mass., 4 at the Clarke School, Northampton, Mass., and 4 at the Maine School for the Deaf, Portland, Me. The families of two girls moved to Massachusetts during the year. During the year 1925-26, there were 41 pupils, 13 at the American School (one a transfer from Massachusetts), 17 at the Austine Institution, 3 at the Beverly School, 3 at the Clarke School, 4 at the Maine School, and 1 at the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb. One boy graduated from the Austine Institution. Another is to be employed at the Institution as supervisor of the small boys.

All the Schools except the New York Institution have been visited during the biennial period.

ADULT BLIND DIVISION

Under a law passed by the Legislature of 1913, the State Board of Charities is authorized to prepare and maintain a register of the blind of the state and to do whatever may be possible to ameliorate their condition. This register is revised and kept up to date through the cooperation of town, county, and state officials and two agents are employed to visit the blind in their homes, teach them various forms of handwork if they so desire, and assist them in other ways. A large proportion of the blind are over 60 years of age, and very little can be done with them in the way of home teaching, as a rule, though there are several elderly pupils who have made surprising progress. The visits of the agents, however, are a source of pleasure to these elderly blind people and it is often possible to find ways of adding to their comfort and interesting others in their welfare. With the younger pupils, it is possible to get better results. During the biennial period, the number receiving instruction from the agents was as follows: Reading Braille, 4; chair caning, 5; basketry, 1; sewing, 10; knitting, 8; crocheting, 4; tatting, 3; cord making, 1; cooking, 2. A number of blind who have learned to read the raised type take great pleasure in borrowing books from various libraries for the blind.

Glasses were provided for 14, both children and adults; five had operations on their eyes and three received medical treatment, while four others were given an opportunity for an examination by an eye specialist and one little girl was given an X-Ray examination because of an injury to her eyes.

In February, 1926, the Eastern Home Teachers' Association was organized at a Conference held at the Perkins Institution, Watertown, Mass. Both agents, Mr. Henry J. Van Vliet and Miss Dorothy H. Powers,

attended this Conference and Mr. Van Vliet also attended the organization meeting of an Association of Heads of Departments for the Blind and their Assistants, held in New York City in December, 1925. There were interesting papers and round table discussions of the various phases of work among the blind.

The American Foundation for the Blind, which is located in New York and is a clearing-house for work among the blind, has been able to provide a limited number of blind throughout the country with radios either free of charge or at cost, according to their circumstances, and several New Hampshire people have secured a radio in this way.

The American Foundation is also trying to raise funds to secure cheaper books in raised type for the blind, as the cost of printing these books at the present time is very high. For this purpose, Helen Keller, the famous deaf-blind woman, is lecturing throughout the country and she visited New Hampshire in June, 1926, giving lectures in several cities. The financial results were very gratifying.

Reports from the Commissioners of the different counties at the close of the biennial period showed that, at that time, there were 110 blind persons receiving the so-called "Aid to Needy Blind" from the several counties and the total amount being paid out for this purpose was \$1,281.66 a month.

The annual distribution of the income of the John Nesmith Fund takes place in June and there are small supplementary distributions throughout the year when new cases come to light. As this income is limited, only a small amount can be granted to each individual, so that it is intended as a gift, rather than a means of support, but it has proved to be of great assistance to the beneficiaries. The number assisted during the first year of the biennial period was 97 and during the second year 103.

The State Workshop for the Blind in West Manchester, established in 1917, has been continued as in previous years, broom-making and chair reseating being the industries carried on. The expenses are paid partly from shop revenue and partly by the State. Journeymen work on a piece basis and apprentices receive a stated amount to cover their board and room. During the last two or three months of the biennial period, a sighted man was employed to assist in sorting the corn, inspecting the brooms, etc. During the biennial period, there have been seven blind men employed, the Foreman, four journeymen, and two apprentices. On June 30, 1926, there was but one apprentice. From July 1, 1924, to July 1, 1925, 520½ dozen brooms were manufactured and from July 1, 1925, to July 1, 1926, the output was 725½ dozen.

The following is the financial statement of the State Workshop for the Blind:

July 1, 1924, to July 1, 1925

Receipts		\$ 2,936.30
Expenditures		
Equipment	\$ 39.18	
Stock	2,417.58	
General Expenses	896.49	
Wages	3,292.92	
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Total		\$ 6,646.17
Paid from shop funds	\$ 2,972.16	
Paid by State	3,674.01	
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		\$ 6,646.17

July 1, 1925, to July 1, 1926

Receipts	\$ 4,199.68
Expenditures	
Equipment	\$ 13.01
Stock	2,905.43
General Expenses	1,132.25
Expense for apprentices..	192.00
Wages	3,688.64
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Total	\$ 7,931.33
Paid from shop funds	\$ 4,182.38
Paid by State	3,748.95
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	\$ 7,931.33

Assets July 1, 1926

Cash	\$ 171.38
Equipment	988.91
Stock	944.06
Brooms	122.74
Accounts receivable	445.12
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	\$ 2,672.21

The following is the number of blind registered June 30, 1926:

Counties	Number of Blind			Total Population in 1920
	Male	Female	Total	
Rockingham	23	37	60	52,498
Strafford	20	18	38	38,546
Belknap	10	16	26	21,178
Carroll	14	12	26	15,017
Merrimack	51	34	85	51,770
Hillsborough	39	63	102	135,512
Cheshire	16	22	38	30,975
Sullivan	11	7	18	20,922
Grafton	13	21	34	40,572
Coos	17	8	25	36,093
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Total	214	238	452	443,083

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Counties	Under 20 Years			Between 20 and 60 Years			Over 60 Years			Age Not Given		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
Rockingham....	1	2	3	8	10	18	11	22	33	3	3	6
Strafford.....	1	3	4	6	3	9	10	10	20	3	2	5
Belknap .....	..	2	2	5	6	11	5	5	10	..	3	3
Carroll	1	4	5	6	1	7	4	7	11	3	..	3
Merrimack.....	4	4	8	19	8	27	24	19	43	4	3	7
Hillsborough....	5	5	10	16	23	39	14	28	42	4	7	11
Cheshire.....	..	1	1	7	4	11	9	13	22	..	4	4
Sullivan	1	..	1	5	2	7	5	4	9	..	1	1
Grafton.....	2	3	5	3	8	11	6	9	15	2	1	3
Coos.....	1	..	1	5	3	8	7	5	12	4	..	4
Total.....	16	24	40	80	68	148	95	122	217	23	24	47

LIST OF HOMES, HOSPITALS AND CHARIT- ABLE INSTITUTIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

(State Institutions)

New Hampshire Soldiers' HomeTilton
Laconia State SchoolLaconia
New Hampshire State HospitalConcord
New Hampshire State SanatoriumGlenclyff

Homes for the Aged

(Private Institutions)

New Hampshire Centennial Home for the Aged..Concord
New Hampshire Odd Fellows HomeConcord
Wentworth Home for the AgedDover
Haverhill Home for the AgedHaverhill
Laconia Home for the AgedLaconia
Gale Home for Aged WomenManchester
Masonic HomeManchester
Notre Dame de Lourdes (Catholic)Manchester
St. John's Home for Aged Men (Catholic)...Manchester
St. Paul's Ladies' Home (Catholic)Manchester
Milford Home for the AgedMilford
John M. Hunt Home for Aged CouplesNashua
Mary E. Hunt Home for Aged WomenNashua
Protestant Home for Aged WomenNashua
Newport Home for the AgedNewport
Peterborough Home for Aged PeoplePeterborough
Home for Aged WomenPortsmouth
Gafney Home for AgedRochester
Immanuel HomeRumney
Pythian HomeSwanzy

Homes for the Young

(Private Institutions)

Rolfe and Rumford Asylum for GirlsConcord
Coit HouseConcord
Dover Children's HomeDover

Golden Rule Farm Homes	Franklin
New Hampshire Orphans' Home	Franklin
Manchester Children's Home	Manchester
Mercy' Home (W. C. T. U.)	Manchester
Hospice St. Vincent de Paul (Catholic).....	Manchester
Orphanage of Notre Dame de Lourdes (Catholic)	Manchester
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Infant Asylum (Catholic)	Manchester
St. Joseph's Boys' Home (Catholic)	Manchester
St. Patrick's Orphanage for Girls (Catholic) ..	Manchester
St. Peter's Orphanage for Boys (Catholic)...	Manchester
King's Daughters' Day Nursery and Children's Home	Nashua
Nashua Protestant Orphanage	Nashua
St. Joseph's Orphanage (Catholic)	Nashua
Chase Home	Portsmouth
St. Charles' Orphanage (Catholic)	Rochester
Bethesda Home	Rumney

Other Homes

(Private Institutions)

Bethesda Lodge (a Rest Home).....	Barnstead
Invalids' Home	Keene
Women's Aid Home	Manchester
St. Martha's Home for Women (Catholic) ..	Manchester
Magnificat Home for Working Girls (Catholic)	Manchester
St. Philomena's Home for Cripples (Catholic)	Manchester
The Mark H. Wentworth Home for Chronic Invalids	Portsmouth

Hospitals

(Private Institutions)

L'Hospital St. Louis	Berlin
*Claremont General Hospital	Claremont
Colebrook Hospital	Colebrook

*Margaret Pillsbury Hospital	Concord
*New Hampshire Memorial Hospital for Women and Children	Concord
Hayes Hospital	Dover
*Wentworth Hospital	Dover
*Exeter Hospital	Exeter
*Franklin Hospital	Franklin
*Hillsborough County Hospital	Grasmere
*Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital.....	Hanover
*Elliott Community Hospital	Keene
*Laconia Hospital	Laconia
Lancaster Hospital	Lancaster
Lincoln Hospital	Lincoln
*Littleton Hospital	Littleton
Balch Hospital	Manchester
*Elliot Hospital	Manchester
*Hospital of Notre Dame de Lourdes..	West Manchester
Lucy Hastings Hospital	Manchester
*Sacred Heart Hospital	Manchester
Highland Springs Sanatorium	Nashua
*Memorial Hospital	Nashua
*St. Joseph's Hospital	Nashua
*Carrie F. Wright Hospital	Newport
New London Hospital	New London
Memorial Hospital	North Conway
Pembroke Sanatorium for Consumptives....	Pembroke
Peterborough Hospital	Peterborough
Dr. Sikorsky's Hospital	Plaistow
Emily Balch Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Hospital Plymouth	
*Portsmouth Hospital	Portsmouth
Abbott Hospital	Rochester
Rochester Hospital	Rochester
*Morrison Hospital	Whitefield
Huggins Hospital	Wolfeboro
*Woodsville Hospital	Woodsville

* This hospital maintains a training school for nurses.

CHARITABLE ASSOCIATIONS

New Hampshire Prisoners' Aid Association

President, Rev. George H. Reed.....Concord
 Secretary, Elwin L. Page.....Concord
 Treasurer, Miss Margaret Emery.....Concord

Cheshire County Humane Society

President, Frank A. Wright.....Keene
 First Vice-President, Mrs. George R. Dinsmoor...Keene
 Secretary, Mrs. Ina Hayward.....Keene
 Treasurer, Miss Grace B. Livermore.....Keene
 Counsel, Orville E. Cain, Philip H. Faulkner, William
 H. WatsonKeene
 Agent, Mrs. Jennie B. Powers.....Keene

New Hampshire Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children

President, John H. Bartlett.....Portsmouth
 State Agents, Howard O. Nelson.....Portsmouth
 William J. AhernConcord

New Hampshire Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

President, John H. Bartlett.....Portsmouth
 Treasurer, Willis E. Underhill.....Portsmouth
 State Agent and Secretary, Howard O. Nelson
 Portsmouth

Concord Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

President, Samuel DunsfordConcord
 Vice-President, Mrs. Charlotte G. Kimball.....Concord
 Treasurer, Mrs. Jennie D. Roby.....Concord
 Secretary, Mrs. H. L. Alexander.....Concord
 Agent, G. Cleveland Percy.....Concord

Animal Rescue League

President, Mrs. Emma J. M. Brown.....Manchester
 Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Eldridge.....Manchester

Treasurer, Harry L. Davis.....Manchester
 Agent, John T. Welch.....Manchester
 Special Agent, Edwin Morris.....Manchester

Manchester City Missionary Society

President, Arthur H. Hale.....Manchester
 Vice-President, Arthur W. Holbrook.....Manchester
 Secretary, Perley W. Gage.....Manchester
 Treasurer, Edgar W. Poore.....Manchester
 City Missionary, Mrs. Ida Carpenter.....Manchester

New Hampshire Children's Aid and Protective Society

President, Huntley N. Spaulding.....Rochester
 Treasurer, John R. McLane.....Manchester
 General Secretary, Miss Sarah T. Knox.....Manchester

New Hampshire Settlement Association

President, Mrs. Geo. D. Towne.....Manchester
 Secretary, Mrs. R. A. Scott.....Manchester
 Treasurer, Mrs. R. H. Harris.....Manchester
 Superintendent, Miss Thelma G. Lawrence..Manchester

New Hampshire Tuberculosis Association

President, Hon. John G. Winant.....Concord
 Treasurer, Arthur H. Hale.....Manchester
 Executive Secretary, Dr. Robert B. Kerr....Manchester

Charity Organization Societies

Concord Charity Organization Society,
 Secretary, Miss Alice E. Jackson.....Concord
 Bureau of Public Service of Keene,
 Secretary, Miss Grace Richardson.....Keene
 Family Welfare Association,
 Secretary, Miss Bertha Southwick.....Portsmouth
 Community Council of Nashua, N. H.,
 Secretary, Mrs. Marian E. Cook.....Nashua

LIST OF PROBATION OFFICERS

June 30, 1926

Belknap County

Rev. Otto E. Duerr.....Laconia
Claude M. Calvert.....Meredith

Carroll County

William A. Alexander.....Wolfeboro

Cheshire County

Rev. D. S. Duffy.....Hinsdale
F. L. Cournoyer.....East Jaffrey
Charles R. Dresser.....Keene

Coos County

Ira W. Thayer.....Berlin
Dr. R. E. Wilder.....Whitefield

Grafton County

James CarrBethlehem
Andros B. Jones.....Lebanon
Herbert D. Stevens.....Littleton

Hillsborough County

George GilmoreHillsborough
Robert C. Laing.....Manchester
Harold C. Bales.....Milford
Martin FitzpatrickNashua
George MyhaverPeterboro

Merrimack County

James E. Welch.....Allenstown
post-office address, Suncook
Herbert W. Rainie.....Concord
Rev. Wilton E. Cross.....Franklin

Rockingham County

George A. Brown.....Epping
 Charles F. Adams.....Hampton
 Forrest S. Davis.....Plaistow
 Edgar P. True.....Portsmouth

Strafford County

Bert WentworthDover
 Alvah H. Hanson.....Farmington
 Dr. Thomas J. Dougherty.....Somersworth
 Charles JennessRochester

Sullivan County

D. E. WhiteClaremont
 H. E. JamesonNewport

BY-LAWS OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION

Section 1. The board shall have a chairman who shall be elected in January of each year at the regular meeting, or at a special meeting called for the purpose. It shall also have five standing committees as follows:

1. Almshouses.
2. Jails, Reformatories and Houses of Correction.
3. Orphans' Homes.
4. Dependent Children.
5. State Beneficiaries.

Sect. 2. The board shall have a secretary chosen from outside the membership of the board, whose duty it shall be to keep an accurate record of all proceedings, notify the members of meetings, conduct the correspondence, and with the assistance of the chairman prepare the biennial report, the report to be submitted to the whole board before being published. He shall also act as visiting agent to placed-out children and supervisor of volunteer visitors, and shall perform such other duties under the direction of the board as may rightfully belong to his office.

Sect. 3. The regular meetings of the board shall be held at the office in Concord (unless otherwise notified), on the third Friday of each alternate month beginning with January, and notices of said meetings shall be given to all members of the board, by mail, not less than four days in advance.

Sect. 4. Special meetings may be called by the chairman, the secretary or any three members of the board.

Sect. 5. The reports of the secretary, standing committees, and members at the meetings of the board shall be presented in writing and placed on file at the office.

Sect. 6. Three members of the board shall constitute a quorum for business.

The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the last meeting.
2. Secretary's report to the board.
3. Reports of standing committees.
4. Reports of members.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.

Sect. 7. These by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the board, notice of such intended action having been previously given.

APPENDIX

TABLE I

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Rockingham County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Atkinson	413	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$182.55	\$182.55
Auburn	652	1	6	4	.....	.....	.....	1,401.37	1,401.37
Brentwood	685	.....	.....	.....	12	\$6.00	.....	6.00	6.00
Candia	780	2	2	.....	.....	12.14	\$331.30	202.98	546.42
Chester	652	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	302.50	302.50
Danville	463	2	2	.....	3	9.00	.....	259.40	268.40
Deerfield	746	7	23	13	.....	6.00	.....	871.52	877.52
Derry	5,382	3	7	3	.....	.....	6 00	70.10	76.10
E. Kingston*	384	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Epping	1,276	7	9	1	.....	.....	.....	834.27	834.27
Exeter	4,604	6	8	2	.....	.....	.....	704.00	704.00
Fremont	519	1	6	5	.....	.....	.....	467.71	467.71
Greenland	394	3	14	10	.....	.....	57.00	662.24	719.24
Hampstead	670	4	14	7	.....	1.00	.....	465.00	466.00
Hampton	1,251	4	8	6	.....	.....	.....	1,119.53	1,119.53
Hampton Falls* ..	483	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kensington*	383	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingston	359	7	8	.....	.....	20.75	15.00	838.00	873.75
Londonderry*	1,303	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Castle	728	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102.00	102.00
Newfields	470	5	5	1	.....	.....	.....	610.44	610.44
Newington*	627	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newmarket	3,181	14	46	29	.....	.....	65.00	1,819.61	1,884.61
Newton	872	2	2	.....	36	5.40	.....	346.00	351.40
North Hampton ..	677	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.50	12.50
Northwood	891	12	33	18	.....	8.20	.....	2,321.93	2,330.13
Nottingham	520	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	54.00	54.00
Plaistow	1,368	3	12	7	.....	.....	.....	389.89	389.89
Portsmouth	13,569	31	49	16	.....	.....	.....	6,390.00	6,390.00
Raymond	1,050	3	11	5	.....	33.15	.....	215.00	248.15
Rye	1,196	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	232.64	232.64
Salem	2,318	4	12	8	.....	.....	.....	417.40	417.40
Sandown	230	2	2	1	.....	.....	.....	427.50	427.50
Seabrook	1,537	10	18	6	.....	.....	104.00	1,468.00	1,572.00
South Hampton* ..	230	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stratham	542	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	273.53	278.53
Windham	543	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.75	49.75
Total	52,498	146	311	142	.....	\$101.64	\$578.30	\$23,516.36	\$24,196.30

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$13,499.32.

TABLE II

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Strafford County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Barrington.....	616	2	2	.....	.....	.....	\$81.70	\$144.00	\$225.70
Dover	13,029	159	602	334	.....	.....	60.00	27,273.58	27,333.58
Durham	749	3	9	6	.....	.....	.....	512.10	512.10
Farmington.....	2,461	13	31	16	.....	.....	.....	1,314.16	1,314.16
Lee*.....	475	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madbury*.....	326	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middleton.....	174	2	2	.....	.....	\$5.50	.....	50.86	51.36
Milton	1,428	6	27	18	.....	.....	.....	625.64	625.64
New Durham.....	462	1	9	7	4	3.00	.....	50.00	53.00
Rochester.....	9,673	69	181	95	.....	.....	944.97	8,794.79	9,739.76
Rollinsford.....	1,701	14	61	43	.....	.....	.....	2,885.99	2,885.99
Somersworth.....	6,688	85	262	147	.....	.....	.....	10,460.25	10,460.25
Strafford.....	764	2	2	.....	.....	14.00	.....	246.00	260.00
Total.....	38,546	356	1,188	666	.....	\$17.50	\$1,086.67	\$52,357.37	\$53,461.54

* No aid given.

Of the whole amount of aid given, \$27,143.46 was paid by the County Commissioners and the balance, \$26,318.08, by town overseers of the poor.

TABLE III

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Belknap County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alton.....	1,221	....	....	....	....	\$62.25	.....	.....	\$62.25
Barnstead... ..	873	3	3	....	....	.....	.....	\$252.00	252.00
Belmont.....	1,194	1	2	....	....	.....	.....	103.99	103.99
Center Harbor* ..	422	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gilford*.....	738	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gilmanton.....	814	4	4	....	7	10.50	.....	603.08	613.58
Laconia.....	10,897	52	109	44	....	.....	\$407.27	8,988.79	9,396.06
Meredith.....	1,680	8	18	7	....	.....	.....	902.28	902.28
New Hampton....	708	1	2	....	....	7.50	35.00	.....	42.50
Sanbornton.....	617	3	3	2	....	.....	271.00	134.00	405.00
Tilton.....	2,014	1	1	....	....	.....	.....	24.00	24.00
Total.....	21,178	73	142	53	....	\$80.25	\$713.27	\$11,008.14	\$11,801.66

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$12,226.88.

TABLE IV

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Carroll County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Albany.....	170	...	.....	.....	1	\$2.00	.....	.....	\$2.00
Bartlett.....	1,059	3	12	9	.....	.....	.....	\$679.00	679.00
Brookfield*.....	186	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chatham*.....	229	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conway.....	3,102	12	29	17	.....	23.55	.....	1,064.94	1,088.49
Eaton*.....	237	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Effingham.....	393	2	9	5	.....	.....	.....	72.80	72.80
Freedom*.....	467	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hart's Location*.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson.....	533	3	12	5	.....	.....	.....	644.00	644.00
Madison.....	482	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	196.86	196.86
Moultonborough..	758	3	8	4	.....	.....	.....	556.46	556.46
Ossipee.....	1,122	2	5	.....	.....	8.50	.....	92.17	100.67
Sandwich.....	1,175	1	1	.....	4	8.00	.....	208.00	216.00
Tamworth.....	945	6	22	10	.....	.....	.....	570.71	570.71
Tuftenboro.....	611	3	6	2	2	3.00	.....	411.29	414.29
Wakefield.....	1,335	4	4	.....	.....	43.43	.....	347.00	390.43
Wolfeboro.....	2,178	11	48	31	.....	.....	\$15.00	1,078.45	1,093.45
Total.....	15,017	51	157	83	.....	\$88.48	\$15.00	\$5,921.68	\$6,025.16

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$2,814.88.

TABLE V

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Merrimack County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Allentown	1,213	26	89	53	.....	.....	.....	\$2,029.04	\$2,029.04
Andover	1,121	3	5	1	.....	\$75.75	\$205.75	108.25	389.75
Boscawen.....	1,260	2	3	.....	.....	.....	54.73	505.35	560.08
Bow	568	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,018.82	1,018.82
Bradford.....	580	4	5	2	.....	.....	.....	867.00	867.00
Canterbury	655	2	2	1	.....	.....	.....	232.50	232.50
Chichester.....	507	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	494.38	494.38
Concord	22,167	181	504	241	.....	53.60	870.81	19,192.75	20,117.16
Danbury	516	3	7	4	65	48.75	.....	485.07	533.82
Dunbarton*	405	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Epsom.....	655	2	3	.....	.....	10.10	.....	359.45	369.55
Franklin	6,318	51	163	86	.....	.....	1,940.88	4,826.09	6,766.97
Henniker	1,344	10	28	15	.....	37.80	28.00	1,024.57	1,090.37
Hill	500	1	1	.....	9	9.26	.....	156.00	165.26
Hooksett.....	1,828	17	56	31	.....	68.60	298.90	1,695.44	2,062.94
Hopkinton	1,438	7	11	3	.....	.....	161.51	879.85	1,041.36
Loudon.....	690	3	5	2	.....	.....	.....	147.35	147.35
Newbury	362	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	91.00	91.00
New London.....	701	3	5	.....	.....	32.00	.....	553.35	585.35
Northfield.....	1,522	2	7	2	.....	.....	.....	412.78	412.78
Pembroke.....	2,563	14	62	40	.....	7.14	.....	1,475.54	1,482.68
Pittsfield	1,914	12	49	25	.....	.....	.....	2,601.81	2,601.81
Salisbury	390	6	12	4	.....	.....	.....	181.38	181.38
Sutton	632	7	16	5	.....	.....	.....	819.81	819.81
Warner	1,051	6	20	10	.....	.....	311.61	862.36	1,173.97
Webster	334	1	1	.....	.....	10.50	.....	136.00	146.50
Wilmot	536	2	3	2	6	9.00	.....	107.70	116.70
Total.....	51,770	371	1,064	527	.....	\$362.50	\$3,872.19	\$41,263.64	\$45,498.33

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$11,503.48.

TABLE VI

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Hillsborough County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Amherst	868	6	17	10	....	\$45.00	\$276.66	\$867.96	\$1,189.62
Antrim	1,052	3	7	2	....	14.55	.....	991.57	1,006.12
Bedford	1,118	6	29	13	....	2.00	.....	699.15	701.15
Bennington	568	1	1	1	70	35.78	.....	75.00	110.78
Brookline	546	6	30	18	....	17.50	.....	534.61	552.11
Deering	287	2	3	....	....	....	.....	461.28	461.28
Franeestown	385	2	4	....	39	25.50	.....	246.30	271.80
Goffstown	2,391	32	176	128	....	....	.....	3,954.38	3,954.38
Greenfield*	417	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....
Greenville	1,346	4	10	6	....	....	.....	45.11	45.11
Hancock	531	2	8	6	....	9.40	.....	1,180.43	1,189.83
Hillsborough	2,229	10	16	9	....	....	.....	868.52	868.52
Hollis*	775	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....
Hudson	1,954	13	53	39	....	....	.....	1,138.70	1,138.70
Litchfield	213	2	5	2	....	1.87	.....	165.56	167.43
Lyndeborough	428	2	7	3	....	....	255.17	9.25	264.42
Manchester	78,384	392	1,561	865	....	....	.....	37,984.05	37,984.05
Mason	278	2	7	4	....	....	39.64	10.00	49.64
Merrimack	1,022	6	7	1	....	2.83	.....	443.17	446.00
Milford	3,783	17	39	26	3	12.00	.....	4,477.00	4,489.00
Mont Vernon*	308	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....
Nashua	28,379	43	136	75	....	....	.....	7,785.94	7,785.94
New Boston	768	3	5	4	....	19.46	.....	398.62	418.08
New Ipswich	869	1	1	....	9	12.00	.....	78.00	90.00
Pelham	974	3	10	6	....	....	.....	163.10	163.10
Peterborough	2,615	11	26	10	....	....	.....	1,139.10	1,139.10
Sharon*	21	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....
Temple	263	2	2	1	....	....	.....	253.58	253.58
Weare	1,173	16	48	28	....	29.41	426.93	1,173.31	1,629.65
Wilton	1,546	6	38	27	....	....	.....	537.21	537.21
Windsor	21	....	....	....	....	3.00	.....	....	3.00
Total	135,512	593	2,246	1,284	....	\$230.30	\$998.40	\$65,680.90	\$66,909.60

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$48,516.28.

TABLE VII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Cheshire County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alstead.....	672	1	1	....	....	....	....	\$20.00	\$20.00
Chesterfield *....	601	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dublin.....	408	....	....	....	151	\$41.90	....	....	41.90
Fitzwilliam.....	962	5	17	7	25	12.50	\$30.00	505.77	548.27
Gilsum.....	439	3	17	11	14	7.00	....	56.97	63.97
Harrisville.....	559	....	....	....	30	29.50	....	....	29.50
Hinsdale.....	1,773	9	18	6	206	55.50	....	1,686.34	1,741.84
Jaffrey.....	2,303	11	50	31	....	11.85	....	1,833.06	1,844.91
Keene.....	11,210	55	156	85	....	....	308.42	6,761.01	7,069.43
Marlborough.....	1,380	3	14	9	....	125.00	....	809.62	934.62
Marlow.....	401	1	1	....	....	28.20	....	173.93	202.13
Nelson.....	171	2	3	1	....	....	....	166.06	166.06
Richmond.....	306	....	....	....	....	3.00	....	....	3.00
Rindge.....	643	2	13	8	89	89.00	....	272.71	361.71
Roxbury *.....	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Stoddard.....	213	1	1	....	6	6.00	....	16.94	22.94
Sullivan *.....	206	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Surry.....	200	1	3	1	....	....	....	195.00	195.00
Swanzy.....	1,593	5	24	15	51	76.50	....	320.06	396.56
Troy.....	1,444	3	16	11	....	....	28.00	700.25	728.25
Walpole.....	2,553	9	17	8	....	....	....	2,556.64	2,556.64
Westmoreland.....	615	6	16	7	164	57.40	....	696.87	754.27
Winchester.....	2,267	21	52	28	....	7.00	183.40	1,870.01	2,060.41
Total.....	30,975	138	419	228	....	\$550.35	\$549.82	\$18,641.24	\$19,741.41

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$4,430.61.

TABLE VIII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Sullivan County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Acworth	436	...	...	...	2	\$2.00	.....	.....	\$2.00
Charlestown.....	1,505	4	17	12	...	.....	.....	\$1,062.27	1,062.27
Claremont	9,524	95	323	182	...	.....	\$210.00	12,432.27	12,642.27
Cornish	844	6	15	4	...	3.00	.....	720.82	723.82
Croydon.....	230	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	94.90	94.90
Goshen	283	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	118.65	118.65
Grantham	495	4	10	4	5	10.00	.....	207.30	217.30
Langdon.....	279	.....	.....	.....	1	1.50	.....	.....	1.50
Lempster ...	287	1	1	.....	.....	9.38	.....	21.50	30.88
Newport	4,109	17	41	11	...	35.00	133.82	1,017.20	1,186.02
Plainfield.....	853	7	21	12	...	5.75	.....	1,052.36	1,058.11
Springfield.....	349	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	164.95	164.95
Sunapee	898	4	5	.....	.....	6.00	.....	898.44	904.44
Unity	522	4	22	15	.....	.....	.....	108.00	108.00
Washington.....	308	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.50	.....	.....	4.50
Total.....	20,922	145	460	240	.....	\$77.13	\$343.82	\$17,898.66	\$18,319.61

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$3,900.27.

TABLE IX

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Grafton County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alexandria.....	502	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$156.00	\$156.00
Ashland.....	1,325	2	6	2	.....	.....	.....	809.11	809.11
Bath.....	838	2	9	6	3	\$5.00	.....	87.07	92.07
Benton *.....	177	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	866	1	5	3	10	5.50	.....	3.62	9.12
Bridgewater *.....	199	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bristol.....	1,428	5	9	2	.....	.....	.....	865.04	865.04
Campton.....	1,028	9	16	8	.....	.....	.....	631.43	631.43
Canaan.....	1,236	2	4	3	.....	17.50	.....	484.20	501.70
Dorchester *.....	228	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Easton *.....	131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ellsworth *.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enfield.....	1,577	7	18	6	.....	.....	.....	1,298.71	1,298.71
Franconia.....	440	4	7	3	.....	.....	.....	754.44	754.44
Grafton.....	554	1	4	3	.....	.....	.....	199.10	199.10
Groton *.....	199	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hanover.....	2,264	2	5	2	.....	2.30	.....	297.66	299.96
Haverhill.....	3,406	14	29	11	.....	.....	.....	1,354.73	1,354.73
Hebron *.....	184	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holderness.....	602	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.67	4.67
Landaff.....	510	7	12	3	.....	.....	.....	378.66	378.66
Lebanon.....	6,162	48	147	80	.....	19.59	.....	4,141.62	4,161.21
Lincoln.....	1,473	6	8	2	.....	.....	.....	533.92	533.92
Lisbon.....	2,288	19	52	19	.....	10.45	\$277.20	915.63	1,203.28
Littleton.....	4,239	24	93	48	.....	.....	.....	1,927.14	1,927.14
Livermore *.....	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lyman.....	310	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	107.00	107.00
Lyme.....	891	2	5	2	.....	.....	.....	58.55	58.55
Monroe.....	356	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	296.94	296.94
Orange *.....	166	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orford.....	661	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	700.71	700.71
Piermont.....	577	2	8	5	.....	.....	.....	641.00	641.00
Plymouth.....	2,353	3	7	4	.....	14.00	.....	16.45	30.45
Rumney.....	911	3	4	1	.....	.....	.....	1,123.12	1,123.12
Thornton *.....	477	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren.....	600	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	542.90	542.90
Waterville *.....	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wentworth.....	507	2	2	.....	.....	30.25	.....	410.00	440.25
Woodstock.....	684	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	120.00	120.00
Total.....	40,572	176	462	213	.....	\$104.59	\$277.20	\$18,859.42	\$19,241.21

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$19,330.73.

TABLE X

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Coos County for the Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 16 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Berlin	16,104	26	67	41	...	.....	.....	\$4,574.16	\$4,574.16
Carroll ..	388	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	545.40	545.40
Clarksville.....	410	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	357.40	357.40
Colebrook	1,811	7	13	6	.....	.....	.....	1,479.53	1,479.53
Columbia	601	3	8	4	.....	.....	.....	569.32	569.32
Dalton	460	1	10	9	.....	.....	.....	7.80	7.80
Dummer	266	2	12	9	.....	.....	.....	531.79	531.79
Errol	241	1	1	.....	.....	\$4.00	.....	72.50	76.50
Gorham.....	734	7	28	18	.....	.....	.....	1,362.22	1,362.22
Jefferson	960	....	.....	..	.....	8.00	.....	.....	8.00
Lancaster	2,819	11	35	20	92	12.85	.....	642.99	655.84
Milan	730	2	13	10	.....	.....	.....	44.34	44.34
Northumberland.	2,567	9	17	8	.....	.....	.....	1,495.20	1,495.20
Pittsburg	887	3	3	..	.....	.....	.....	908.73	908.73
Randolph*.....	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shelburne*.....	178	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stark	339	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	65.00	65.00
Stewartstown	1,109	5	19	14	.....	.....	.....	950.04	950.04
Stratford.....	794	4	13	7	.....	12.50	.....	584.30	596.80
Wentworth Loc...	50	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00	45.00
Whitefield.....	1,935	18	51	25	.....	5.80	.....	1,386.10	1,391.90
College and Academy Grants*...	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	35,470	108	301	172	.....	\$43.15	.....	\$15,621.82	\$15,664.97

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$10,834.06.

TABLE XI

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Rockingham County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Atkinson	413	1	1	.....	1	\$3.00	.....	\$311.00	\$314.00
Auburn	652	1	6	4	.....	.....	.....	1,109.27	1,109.27
Brentwood*.....	685	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Candia	780	3	4	.....	.....	1.50	.....	162.66	164.16
Chester	652	.....	.....	.....	3	3.00	.....	.....	3.00
Danville	463	2	4	.....	.....	20.50	.....	125.00	145.50
Deerfield	746	8	22	14	.....	.....	.....	1,713.01	1,713.01
Derry	5,382	3	5	2	.....	2.05	.....	530.00	532.05
E. Kingston	384	1	4	2	.....	.....	.....	6.00	6 00
Epping	1,276	6	11	4	.....	.....	.....	996.58	996.58
Exeter	4,604	9	15	6	.....	7.00	.....	690.08	697.08
Fremont	519	1	6	5	.....	.....	.....	635.00	635.00
Greenland	394	2	14	10	.....	.....	.....	1,218.19	1,218.19
Hampstead	670	3	12	8	.....	.....	\$3.51	126.26	129.77
Hampton	1,251	5	13	8	.....	.....	.....	1,264.75	1,264.75
Hampton Falls*..	483	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kensington*.....	383	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingston	859	4	5	.....	.....	.....	15.00	468.00	483.00
Londonderry*....	1,303	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Castle	728	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	102.00	102.00
Newfields	470	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	577.66	577.66
Newington*.....	627	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newmarket	3,181	9	18	8	.....	.....	112.50	1,684.92	1,797.42
Newton	872	1	1	.....	35	5.25	.....	264.13	269.38
North Hampton ..	677	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	318.50	318.50
Northwood	891	6	9	2	.....	2.25	.....	978.30	980.55
Nottingham	520	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	130.25	130.25
Plaistow	1,368	5	14	7	.....	.....	.....	205.50	205.50
Portsmouth	13,569	41	72	13	.....	.....	.....	7,221.00	7,221.00
Raymond	1,050	6	18	13	.....	45.60	.....	639.13	684.73
Rye	1,196	4	7	1	.....	.....	.....	592.20	592.20
Salem	2,318	4	23	17	.....	.....	.....	563.51	563.51
Sandown	280	3	3	1	4	4.00	.....	303.92	307.92
Seabrook	1,537	6	15	7	.....	.....	312.00	780.00	1,092.00
South Hampton*..	230	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stratham	542	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	211.50	211.50
Windham*.....	543	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	52,498	143	313	133	.....	\$94.15	\$443.01	\$23,928.32	\$24,465.48

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$13,042.99.

TABLE XII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Strafford County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Barrington.....	616	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$225.70	\$225.70
Dover	13,029	109	372	203	.....	.....	\$829.31	16,862.91	17,692.22
Durham	749	3	8	5	.....	.....	.....	528.00	528.00
Farmington.....	2,461	15	21	3	.....	.....	.....	1,345.74	1,345.74
Lee*.....	475	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madbury*.....	326	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middleton.....	174	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	219.92	219.92
Milton	1,428	7	21	11	.....	.....	.....	694.00	694.00
New Durham....	462	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$1.50	.....	.....	1.50
Rochester	9,673	96	284	148	.....	.....	1,129.27	11,641.74	12,771.01
Rollinsford.	1,701	9	43	31	.....	.....	.....	2,271.09	2,271.09
Somersworth.....	6,688	45	148	81	.....	.....	.....	7,370.81	7,370.81
Strafford.....	764	2	3	1	.....	22.00	.....	258.00	280.00
Total.....	38,546	290	904	488	.....	\$23.50	\$1,958.58	\$41,417.91	\$43,399.99

* No aid given.

Of the whole amount of aid given, \$18,124.12 was paid by the County Commissioners and the balance, \$25,275.87, by town overseers of the poor.

TABLE XIII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Belknap County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alton.....	1,221	2	2	.....	.....	\$66.00	.....	\$83.00	\$149.00
Barnstead... ..	873	3	11	5	.....	25.88	.....	314.32	340.20
Belmont.....	1,194	6	10	.....	..	1.50	.....	649.31	650.81
Center Harbor* ...	422	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gilford*.....	738	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gilmanton.....	814	2	6	3	...	1.50	.....	120.00	121.50
Laconia.....	10,897	50	109	40	.....	.....	\$471.10	9,052.62	9,523.72
Meredith	1,680	16	24	5	.....	.....	.....	1,947.29	1,947.29
New Hampton...	708	3	10	5	5	10.00	.....	269.91	279.91
Sanbornton.....	617	2	2	.....	.....	.....	201.00	80.00	281.00
Tilton.....	2,014	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	250.55	250.55
Total.....	21,178	87	177	58	.....	\$104.88	\$672.10	\$12,767.00	\$13,543.98

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$5,016.47.

TABLE XIV

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Carroll County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Albany*.....	170	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bartlett.....	1,059	3	9	5	...	...	...	\$483.00	\$483.00
Brookfield*.....	186	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chatham*.....	229	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Conway.....	3,102	8	11	3	...	\$3.59	\$10.00	,098.44	1,117.03
Eaton.....	237	1	1	...	...	...	...	54.83	54.83
Effingham.....	393	2	2	...	...	1.00	...	65.82	66.82
Freedom.....	467	1	1	...	...	...	...	224.48	224.48
Hart's Location.*	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson.....	533	6	29	16	...	...	...	1,227.05	1,227.05
Madison.....	482	1	2	...	...	...	...	700.00	700.00
Moultonborough..	758	2	4	...	...	...	...	317.20	317.20
Ossipee.....	1,122	2	2	1	...	21.50	...	19.00	40.50
Sandwich.....	1,175	1	1	...	...	...	...	270.71	270.71
Tamworth.....	945	5	22	12	...	...	...	610.84	610.84
Tuftsboro.....	611	4	7	1	...	3.00	...	265.31	268.31
Wakefield.....	1,335	5	5	...	...	66.85	...	873.42	940.27
Wolfeboro.....	2,178	12	56	37	...	...	...	1,120.95	1,120.95
Total.....	15,017	53	152	75	...	\$100.94	\$10.00	\$7,331.05	\$7,441.99

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$2,185.00.

TABLE XV

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Merrimack County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Allenstown.....	1,213	16	59	41	.....	.....	.....	\$2,630.62	\$2,630.62
Andover.....	1,121	5	24	15	.....	\$172.00	.....	469.35	641.35
Boscawen.....	1,260	1	3	2	.....	.....	.....	20.00	20.00
Bow.....	568	4	10	3	.....	.....	.....	467.62	467.62
Bradford.....	550	2	3	2	.....	52.19	.....	658.91	711.10
Canterbury.....	655	2	12	11	.....	2.75	.....	234.50	287.25
Chichester.....	507	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	524.48	524.48
Concord.....	22,167	187	503	241	.....	94.00	\$941.09	21,388.03	22,423.12
Danbury.....	516	3	3	.....	150	112.50	.....	788.64	901.14
Dunbarton.....	405	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	134.57	134.57
Epsom.....	655	4	4	.....	49	19.60	.....	312.86	332.46
Franklin.....	6,318	64	227	127	.....	.....	1,544.58	6,290.92	7,835.50
Henniker.....	1,344	3	11	.....	140	49.00	.....	638.69	687.69
Hill.....	500	1	1	.....	3	3.00	.....	156.00	159.00
Hooksett.....	1,828	18	73	40	.....	82.60	198.99	1,394.99	1,676.58
Hopkinton.....	1,438	5	9	4	.....	.....	531.71	705.53	1,237.24
London.....	690	3	10	6	.....	.....	.....	334.84	334.84
Newbury.....	362	3	7	3	.....	.....	.....	111.00	111.00
New London.....	701	3	5	2	39	25.00	.....	1,120.27	1,145.27
Northfield.....	1,522	3	14	7	.....	.....	.....	53.82	53.82
Pembroke.....	2,563	19	42	12	.....	.....	.....	1,729.43	1,729.43
Pittsfield.....	1,914	10	35	16	.....	.....	.....	1,655.11	1,655.11
Salisbury.....	390	2	6	3	.....	2.00	.....	53.86	55.86
Sutton.....	632	5	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,059.71	1,059.71
Warner.....	1,051	12	23	8	.....	42.80	369.17	2,051.53	2,463.50
Webster.....	334	.....	.....	.....	2	3.00	.....	.....	3.00
Wilmot.....	536	4	13	6	.....	7.00	.....	543.08	550.08
Total.....	51,770	382	1,106	551	.....	\$667.44	\$3,585.54	\$45,628.36	\$49,881.34

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$11,465.46.

TABLE XVI

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in Hillsborough County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Amherst	868	3	5	2	...	...	...	\$933.59	\$933.59
Antrim	1,052	4	16	...	...	\$7.50	...	872.11	879.61
Bedford	1,118	6	35	25	...	...	...	632.14	632.14
Bennington	568	6	9	4	40	10.50	...	322.37	332.87
Brookline	546	4	4	...	...	3.00	...	395.53	398.53
Deering	287	1	1	...	...	...	...	123.64	123.64
Francesstown	335	3	10	...	42	25.00	...	293.98	318.98
Goffstown	2,391	34	175	115	...	...	\$239.00	3,450.09	3,689.09
Greenfield	417	2	2	...	170	100.00	...	16.00	116.00
Greenville	1,346	4	27	17	...	...	...	458.70	458.70
Hancock	531	4	7	4	...	...	...	1,293.72	1,293.72
Hillsborough	2,229	7	15	6	...	48.00	225.00	576.80	849.80
Hollis	775	2	8	6	...	...	...	50.92	50.92
Hudson	1,954	17	64	40	...	...	40.00	1,949.56	1,989.56
Litchfield*	213	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lyndeborough	428	2	6	3	...	...	146.44	18.35	164.79
Manchester	78,334	446	1,720	931	...	...	...	44,466.67	44,466.67
Mason*	278	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Merrimack	1,022	5	8	2	...	2.00	8.00	441.23	451.23
Milford	3,783	27	64	39	...	...	...	4,233.17	4,233.17
Mont Vernon*	308	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nashua	28,379	44	109	55	...	...	14.15	8,123.22	8,137.37
New Boston	768	4	11	7	33	33.11	6.10	592.20	631.41
New Ipswich	869	2	4	2	...	...	...	53.00	53.00
Pelham	974	3	9	4	...	...	...	64.96	64.96
Peterborough	2,615	8	22	11	...	...	...	929.16	929.16
Sharon*	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Temple	263	1	1	1	...	5.12	...	199.50	204.62
Weare	1,173	9	39	25	...	47.50	42.17	1,400.87	1,490.54
Wilton	1,546	7	21	14	...	6.00	...	1,536.39	1,592.39
Windsor	21	...	...	...	2	2.00	...	...	2.00
Total	135,512	655	2,392	1,320	...	\$289.73	\$720.86	\$73,477.87	\$74,488.46

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$47,952.43.

TABLE XVII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Cheshire County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alstead.....	672	2	8	4	...	...	...	\$175.12	\$175.12
Chesterfield	601	2	2	...	...	\$5.00	...	288.03	288.03
Dublin	408	...	...	...	121	30.25	...	...	30.25
Fitzwilliam	962	3	10	5	14	7.00	\$122.67	414.88	544.55
Gilsum	439	...	...	...	25	12.50	...	...	12.50
Harrisville.. ..	559	2	8	3	...	111.10	96.20	5.00	212.30
Hinsdale	1,773	12	24	10	...	87.25	...	1,715.12	1,802.37
Jaffrey	2,303	7	32	21	...	18.30	...	1,930.79	1,949.09
Keene	11,210	68	206	110	...	9.39	915.72	7,021.09	7,946.20
Marlborough.....	1,380	7	38	26	...	197.40	...	1,329.87	1,527.27
Marlow	401	1	1	...	...	60.80	...	152.00	212.80
Nelson	171	1	1	...	...	6.00	...	72.00	78.00
Richmond	306	...	...	...	15	7.50	...	...	7.50
Rindge	643	4	21	12	19	19.00	391.97	564.05	975.02
Roxbury *	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stoddard	213	...	...	...	11	12.00	...	...	12.00
Sullivan *	206	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surry	200	...	...	...	1	1.50	...	...	1.50
Swanzy	1,593	9	38	23	...	117.50	...	2,161.12	2,278.62
Troy	1,444	9	31	18	...	51.00	161.99	1,537.12	1,750.11
Walpole	2,553	15	37	19	...	363.11	...	2,621.06	2,989.17
Westmoreland....	615	3	4	...	...	40.00	...	700.72	740.72
Winchester.....	2,267	21	62	37	...	...	15.00	3,026.87	3,041.87
Total.....	30,975	166	523	288	...	\$1,161.60	\$1,703.55	\$23,709.84	\$26,574.99

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$2,223.25.

TABLE XVIII

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Sullivan County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Acworth *.....	486	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charlestown.....	1,505	7	27	18	.....	.....	.....	\$1,419.85	\$1,419.85
Claremont.....	9,524	90	333	207	.....	\$5.19	\$285.00	14,321.73	14,611.92
Cornish.....	844	9	24	12	.....	2.00	.....	1,816.30	1,818.30
Croydon.....	230	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.00	105.00
Goshen *.....	283	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grantham.....	495	5	15	6	.....	.....	.....	178.65	178.65
Langdon*.....	279	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lempster.....	287	1	2	.....	8	8.00	.....	100.00	108.00
Newport.....	4,109	39	132	64	.....	62.38	97.71	2,695.96	2,856.05
Plainfield.....	853	6	19	11	.....	9.50	.....	1,031.44	1,040.94
Springfield*.....	349	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sunapee.....	893	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	952.50	952.50
Unity.....	522	1	6	4	.....	.....	83.15	.....	83.15
Washington*.....	308	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	20,922	162	567	322	.....	\$37.07	\$465.86	\$22,621.43	\$23,174.36

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$4,204.64.

TABLE XIX

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Grafton County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Alexandria.....	502	5	11	4	...	...	...	\$420.01	\$420.01
Ashland.....	1,325	5	6	4	...	...	...	463.90	463.90
Bath.....	833	3	23	15	...	\$5.00	...	98.25	104.25
Benton.....	177	...	...	...	3	3.00	...	...	3.00
Bethlehem.....	866	7	15	9	...	13.20	...	213.94	227.14
Bridgewater*.....	199	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bristol.....	1,428	8	14	2	...	...	...	1,012.05	1,012.05
Campton.....	1,028	5	14	6	...	...	...	242.20	242.20
Canaan.....	1,236	7	22	11	...	45.64	...	627.36	673.00
Dorchester*.....	228	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Easton.....	131	1	1	...	...	...	...	17.00	17.00
Ellsworth.....	30	1	4	3	...	...	...	45.00	45.00
Enfield.....	1,577	10	39	22	...	6.35	...	1,132.17	1,138.52
Franconia.....	440	4	15	9	...	...	...	1,610.56	1,610.56
Grafton.....	554	3	5	2	68	27.50	...	370.39	397.89
Groton*.....	199	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hanover.....	2,264	2	5	2	1	1.65	...	287.63	289.28
Haverhill.....	3,406	12	26	11	...	...	...	1,817.20	1,817.20
Hebron*.....	184	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holderness.....	602	2	6	2	...	...	...	182.80	182.80
Landaff.....	510	4	12	6	...	...	...	659.42	659.42
Lebanon.....	6,162	44	137	67	...	4.98	...	5,719.98	5,724.96
Lincoln.....	1,473	8	26	15	...	8.00	...	459.33	467.33
Lisbon.....	2,288	13	51	27	...	...	...	807.23	807.23
Little on.....	4,239	18	69	37	...	...	\$42.00	1,145.99	1,187.99
Livermore*.....	98	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lyman.....	310	1	1	...	...	...	...	365.00	365.00
Lyme*.....	891	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Monroe.....	356	1	1	...	...	...	...	300.65	300.65
Orange.....	166	1	1	...	...	...	...	377.03	377.03
Orford.....	661	2	7	5	...	6.00	...	894.21	900.21
Piermont.....	577	4	16	8	...	...	...	367.50	367.50
Plymouth.....	2,353	8	24	12	...	.40	...	226.54	226.94
Rumney.....	911	1	2	...	...	...	...	580.00	580.00
Thornton*.....	477	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Warren.....	600	4	8	4	...	...	...	628.11	628.11
Waterville*.....	95	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wentworth.....	507	3	3	...	...	...	156.00	428.75	584.75
Woodstock.....	684	1	2	...	...	...	...	75.00	75.00
Total.....	40,572	186	566	283	...	\$122.72	\$198.00	\$21,575.20	\$21,895.92

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of
\$15,422.18.

TABLE XX

Statistical Table Showing Amount of Outdoor Relief Given in
Coos County for the Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Names of Towns Granting Assistance	Population	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given
Berlin	16,104	15	55	29	..	.....	.....	\$3,791.46	\$3,791.46
Carroll*	388	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clarksville	410	2	2	1	.....	.....	.....	134.69	134.69
Colebrook	1,811	7	12	3	.....	\$45.66	.....	1,749.34	1,795.00
Columbia	601	2	8	4	.....	.....	.....	141.17	141.17
Dalton	460	2	9	6	.....	.....	.....	303.09	308.09
Dummer	266	2	10	7	.....	.....	.....	299.49	299.49
Errol	241	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	12.00
Gorham	2,734	5	18	11	.....	.....	.....	989.62	989.62
Jefferson	960	2	8	..	.....	2.00	.....	64.00	66.00
Lancaster	2,819	13	33	16	40	10.60	.....	1,048.17	1,058.77
Milan	730	1	11	9	.....	18.57	.....	40.23	58.80
Northumberland	2,567	6	12	4	.....	.....	.....	2,270.00	2,270.00
Pittsburg	837	7	18	6	.....	.....	.....	1,153.22	1,158.22
Randolph	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.86	.....	.....	2.86
Shelburne*	178	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stark	339	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.00	150.00
Stewartstown	1,109	7	31	17	.....	.....	.....	669.74	669.74
Stratford	794	3	4	.....	.....	38.84	.....	54.14	92.98
Wentworth Loc.	50	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00	45.00
Whitefield	1,935	9	32	19	.....	.....	\$669.80	789.87	1,459.67
College and Academy Grants*	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	35,470	85	265	132	.....	\$130.53	\$669.80	\$13,703.23	\$14,503.56

* No aid given.

In addition to above amounts the County Commissioners have paid the sum of \$11,238.40.

TABLE XXI

Summary of Outdoor Relief Given Through Town Overseers of Poor and Through County Commissioners for the
Year Ending June 30, 1925.

Countries	Number of families of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families under 15 years and	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given	Amount of relief given by county commissioners
Rockingham	146	311	142	.....	\$101.64	\$578.30	\$23,516.36	\$24,196.30	\$13,499.32
Strafford	356	1,138	666	.....	17.50	1,086.67	52,357.37	*53,461.54	.....
Belknap	73	142	53	.....	80.25	713.27	11,008.14	11,801.66	12,226.88
Carroll	51	157	83	.....	88.48	15.00	5,921.68	6,025.16	2,814.38
Merrimack	371	1,064	527	.....	362.50	3,372.19	41,263.64	45,498.33	11,503.48
Hillsborough	593	2,246	1,284	.....	230.30	998.40	65,680.90	66,909.60	48,516.28
Cheshire	138	419	228	.....	550.35	549.82	18,641.24	19,741.41	4,430.61
Sullivan	145	460	240	.....	77.13	343.82	17,898.66	18,319.61	3,900.27
Grafton	176	462	213	.....	104.59	277.20	18,856.42	19,241.21	19,330.73
Coos	108	301	172	.....	43.15	.....	15,621.82	15,664.97	10,834.06
Total	2,157	6,750	3,608	.....	\$1,655.89	\$8,434.67	\$270,769.23	\$280,369.79	\$127,056.51

* Includes amount given by Overseers of Poor and County Commissioners.

TABLE XXII

Summary of Outdoor Relief Given Through Town Overseers of Poor and Through County Commissioners for the
Year Ending June 30, 1926.

Counties	Number of families assisted	Number of individuals in assisted families	Number of children in assisted families 15 years and under	Number of tramps calling for assistance	Amount of relief given tramps	Amount of relief given dependent soldiers and sailors	Amount of relief given all others assisted	Total amount of relief given	Amount of relief given by county commissioners
Rockingham	143	313	133	.....	\$94.15	\$443.01	\$23,928.32	\$24,465.48	\$13,042.99
Strafford	290	904	488	.....	23.50	1,958.58	41,417.91	*43,399.99	.....
Belknap	87	177	58	.....	104.88	672.10	12,767.00	13,543.98	5,016.47
Carroll	53	152	75	.....	100.94	10.00	7,331.05	7,441.99	2,185.00
Merrimack	382	1,106	551	.....	667.44	3,585.54	45,628.36	49,881.34	11,465.46
Hillsborough	655	2,392	1,320	.....	289.73	720.86	73,477.87	74,488.46	47,952.43
Cheshire	166	523	288	.....	1,161.60	1,703.55	23,709.84	26,574.99	2,223.25
Sullivan	162	567	322	.....	87.07	465.86	22,621.43	23,174.36	4,204.64
Grafton	186	566	283	.....	122.72	198.00	21,575.20	21,895.92	15,422.18
Coos	85	265	132	.....	130.53	669.80	13,703.23	14,503.56	11,238.40
Total	2,209	6,965	3,650	.....	\$2,782.56	\$10,427.30	\$286,160.21	\$299,370.07	\$112,750.82

* Includes amount given by Overseers of Poor and County Commissioners.

